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Inviting Prospect

CONSOLIDATION of the post-war Government vegetable wholesale marketing scheme is envisaged in the new Ordinance to come before Legislative Council today. It is a sensible and desirable step towards the eventual establishment of a co-operative organisation which will control the whole of the vegetable marketing scheme. It is Government's claim that the project initiated after the liberation of Hongkong to protect the Colony's agricultural producers from exploitation on the part of middlemen and also to enable vegetables to become available to consumers at reasonable prices has been a complete success. None will deny that it has achieved interesting results although housewives may hesitate to subscribe to the proposition that the scheme has had any really effective impact on retail prices. Notwithstanding, the wholesale marketing undertaking has done much to assist New Territories farmers; it has yielded them fair returns on their labours and has been an acknowledged stimulus for them to produce more per acre.

THE new proposed legislation is designed to offer agricultural producers and marketers further and permanent assistance and service, particularly in the way of encouraging the creation of additional co-operative societies in the New Territories. In short, local farmers are to be assisted to develop in practice the principle of self-help; to make themselves capable, in due course, of assuming responsibility for the effective operating of the whole-sale marketing and distributing scheme. Presumably when this development has materialised Government will delegate its present administrative marketing functions to a fully representative co-operative organisation, leaving its own officers to act in an advisory capacity. The prospect for the New Territories farmers is an inviting one, and if the scheme also means plentiful vegetables at reasonable retail prices for consumers, it will have the blessing of the general public.

Dramatic Stalin Peace Move Expected

WHITEHALL EXPERTS ON THE QUI VIVE

London, Apr. 8. British experts on Russian affairs are predicting today an early surprise move from the Kremlin and their assessment foreshadowed a "dramatic Soviet coup."

The initiative is expected to come from Premier Josef Stalin in the form of a new sweeping diplomatic offensive for an overall settlement of East-West differences linked with Moscow's "peace" proposals on Germany. Government is waiting detailed reports on the much publicised meeting in Moscow last week-end between Stalin and the Indian Ambassador, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, and the Indian Government's comments on its implications.

Diplomats believed that Stalin has put out feelers for a heads of states meeting or for an early ministerial conference of the Big Powers despite the West's reluctance for such a course as expressed in their recent notes to Moscow. The Indian Government is expected here to make known shortly to the British and United States Governments what is in the minds of the Kremlin rulers and what their next move might be. Nobody in an official or unofficial position here so far is able to determine what the next Soviet move would bring but there is general agreement that something is definitely "brewing" in the Kremlin and that it would not be long before the results become known to the world.

POLICY SWITCH? Officials have been instructed to study carefully all available indications from Moscow and the Communist world and they are analysing at present a series of recent Moscow diplomatic moves. There is a growing inclination in authoritative quarters not to dismiss the latest Soviet initiative altogether but to examine carefully suggestions from some of the leading Russian experts that the world is witnessing a possible "switch" in Soviet policy. Majority opinion remains still inclined to view the Soviet offensive as a new phase in the Kremlin's cold war.

The British Premier, Mr. Winston Churchill's cautious statement in the House of Commons last night on suggestions for a meeting with Stalin has left the door open—though there are no immediate signs—for a conference of the two statesmen. The Indian Ambassador in Moscow, it will be recalled, stated after his interview with Stalin that there are no outstanding problems dividing the world, which could not be solved by discussion and that every effort should be made to bring the leaders together. Earlier last week Stalin, in reply to written questions from a number of visiting American editors, stated that a meeting of the heads of state of the Big Powers might "possibly be useful."

This statement drew the comment from Britain's Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, the Marquess of Reading, that Mr. Churchill might be prepared for talks with Stalin in Moscow. **RECENT MOVES** A number of recent Soviet moves are felt to have prepared the ground for a switch in Russian policy and for a predicted new diplomatic offensive. They include, firstly, proposals to the Western Powers of March 10 for the unification of Germany and the creation of a national German army. Secondly, the current Moscow economic conference with its sweeping proposals at the week-end for millions of dollars worth of trade with the West—without visible strings attached to it so far.

Thirdly, Stalin's indirect bid for a top Big Four meeting. Fourthly, Stalin's reaffirmation of the Kremlin slogan that Communism and Capitalism can co-exist. Fifthly, Stalin's statement that war is no nearer than two or three years ago and the marked absence of an assurance that it is further away or even that it is unlikely.—United Press.

Collis' on In Mid-Air

Fort Hood, Texas, Apr. 8. Two men died on Tuesday in a flaming plane crash and the other in a leap from a troop transport. One Air Force pilot was killed when two F-51 single engine fighter planes collided high in the air. Both planes crashed, burning to the ground but the pilot of one parachuted to safety. The other fatality was among the 3,150 paratroopers who jumped from big transport planes. Presumably his parachute failed to open. Word of the paratrooper's death came from General Lawton Collins, Chief of Staff for the Army, who rode in one of the planes. He radioed the message to Col. Joe Kelly, chief of the manoeuvre's public information bureau: "Drop was successful. Saw only one part of drop. It was from air. Only one fatality."—Associated Press.

NEW CABINET FORMED

Tunis, Apr. 8. The new Tunisian Cabinet of Salah Eddine Baccouche will be announced tomorrow, Count Jean de Hauteclouque, the French Resident General, said tonight. Count de Hauteclouque said that the Bey of Tunisia had assured him that the Bey's seal would be affixed tomorrow to the nomination of M. Baccouche's Ministers tomorrow morning at the Bey's villa at Carthage. Earlier it had been stated that the new Cabinet would not be announced until Thursday. The Cabinet list will be made public immediately after the sealing ceremony, said Count de Hauteclouque.—Reuter.

Opens First Parliament



King Idris I, Libya's first King, stands in front of his throne during the ceremony of the opening of the first Libyan Parliament. Facing him were the 65 members of Parliament recently elected, and members of the Senate. Members of the Diplomatic Corps and guests occupied the balcony.—London Express.

Rumble Of Tory Revolt Over Purchase Tax

Rumblings of revolt continued among section of Mr Winston Churchill's parliamentary supporters tonight over Britain's textile crisis. Contrary to Government policy a group of Conservative Members of the House of Commons have insisted on pushing forward a motion demanding the withdrawal of the purchase (sales) tax in order to alleviate rising unemployment in textile areas.

COSTELLO SENTENCED

New York, Apr. 8. Frank Costello, gambler, was fined \$5,000 and sentenced to 18 months in prison today for refusing to testify before the Senate Crime Investigating Committee. It was the first time Costello had been sent to prison since 1915, when he spent ten months in gaol for carrying a revolver. Today's sentence included four terms of one year each to run concurrently and three of six months each, also to run concurrently. The two sets of sentences are to run consecutively.

Costello was convicted last Friday on ten counts of contempt of the Senate. The judge, pronouncing sentence, said he was "left with a definite impression" that Costello's refusal to testify before the Committee was "premeditated and deliberate and that it was your purpose to delay giving testimony until others had testified."

CRASH-LANDING

Chester, Apr. 8. A Canberra jet bomber crashed near here today and the crew of two were taken to hospital slightly injured. This is the third Canberra to crash in 15 days. Three airmen were killed on March 27 when a Canberra came down in Lincolnshire during a snowstorm, and the pilot of another died in a crash in Lancashire.—Reuter.

Reported Unofficial Anglo-Chinese Trade Agreement Leaves Officials Unworried

London, Apr. 8. British officials calmly received reports today that the unofficial British delegation in Moscow had signed a trade agreement with Communist China, pointing out that any exports there must have government approval. Board of Trade officials said British individuals could conclude any kind of agreement they wanted in Moscow, but would have to have Board of Trade licences for anything actually shipped to Communist China, which is fighting United Nations troops in Korea.

The list of items restricted from export to Communist China under resolutions by the United Nations includes most items that could be helpful to the Communist Chinese war machine. Reports from the Moscow international economic conference, said the British and Chinese delegations concluded an agreement for the sale and purchase of £10,000,000 each by the end of the year.

It was reported that the British delegation had agreed to sell China 35 per cent of the amount in textiles, 30 per cent in chemicals, 35 per cent in metals of all descriptions except copper and aluminium. **CHINESE OFFER** It was said the Chinese in return would sell the British 25 per cent coal, 20 per cent eggs, 55 per cent miscellaneous items, mostly foodstuffs.

Board of Trade officials said politely that they just did not understand that at all. They pointed out that there was no official British delegation in Moscow and the British Government buys all coal and food imported itself. They did not quite understand how the delegation could negotiate officially to buy these things. Informed sources said Britain would, almost certainly agree, however, to export textiles to Communist China or anyone else, especially in view of the slump in the textile industry which has put about 75,000 people out of work here.—United Press.

SUSPICIOUS

Government and textile sources are suspicious that Red China's offer of a ten million dollar textile deal is a propaganda trap. Britain, in the midst of a textile slump which had idled 75,000 cotton workers, is eager to sell China. A trade spokesman said there is no need for Chinese businessmen to travel all the way to Moscow to fix up a deal. British traders on the spot have been trying to sell textiles to China, but for the last two years the Chinese have shown no interest.

Banknote Forger Caught

Glasgow, Apr. 8. When Alexander Crawford, 51, left his lodgings in Taylor Street, Glasgow, he was always careful to lock the door. But his room was raided by the police. In it they found various "instruments and devices" with which he had forged Bank of England notes, described by the Procurator at the Glasgow Sheriff Court today as "of the highest quality and to some extent a tribute to his excellence as a forger." Pleading guilty to two contraventions of the Forgery Act, Crawford was committed to the High Court for sentence. He was stated to have counterfeited £1 and 10-shilling notes.—Reuter.

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Free Ride For Churchgoers

Phoenix, Ariz., Apr. 8. The Phoenix City Council announced today that it has tentatively approved a plan to permit churchgoers free bus rides to and from the church of their faith on Sundays. The plan will go into effect on April 20 on a trial basis for two Sundays. Bus drivers will accept a rider's word that he is either going to or coming from church. The regular fare is 10 cents.—United Press.

'Punishment Town's' Petition

Singapore, Apr. 7. General Sir Gerald Templer, British High Commissioner for Malaya, studied hardship reports from the "punishment town" of Tanjong Malim today, but did not disclose whether he planned to ease his stringent orders.

Gen. Templer had clamped on a 24-hour curfew, reduced the rice ration, closed schools and issued an order forbidding anyone of the 6,000 inhabitants from leaving after the ambush near the town on March 25, in which 42 persons were killed and eight wounded.

He charged that the inhabitants of the town did not notify the police of terrorist activity in the neighborhood and contributed to the success of the ambush.

The inhabitants wrote Gen. Templer asking him to ease the restrictions. There has been a slight relaxation of the curfew for cattle owners.

Three political organisations—the United Malaya National Organisation, the Malayan Indian Congress and the Peninsular Malaya Union—are putting the final touch on the draft of a memorandum they intend to submit to Gen. Templer asking for a relaxation of the curfew.

Leaders hope to meet with the High Commissioner next week. They charged that the punishment was unjust and is likely to cause resentment among the population which they claim is largely law-abiding.—United Press.

Heroes To Be Decorated

Washington, Apr. 8. There heroes of the Korean war will get Medals of Honour on Friday from President Truman.

They are: Marine Sgt. Harold E. Wilson, 1st Lt. Lloyd Burke and Rodolfo Hernandez. Sgt. Wilson, a 30-year-old reservist, ran from foxhole to foxhole passing ammunition to his platoon and shouting encouragement on April 23, 1951, although he was wounded four times and both arms were almost disabled, the Marine Corps said.

When the attack on his position was beaten off, Wilson personally accounted for all of his men before he walked half a mile unassisted to an aid station, the citation added.—Associated Press.

Queen Juliana's Visit To UN

United Nations, Apr. 8. Queen Juliana of the Netherlands and Prince Bernhard visited the United Nations headquarters today and were welcomed by the Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, the Netherlands delegate, Mr. Daniel Van Bilsseken, and the Indonesian delegate, Mr. M. Palar.

The Queen was shown the Security Council chamber and for a few minutes occupied a seat among those reserved for her country's delegation.—France-Press.

FRANCE NOT EXPECTED TO APPROVE REVISION OF TANGIER'S STATUTE

Paris, Apr. 8.

General Franco's request last night for a revision of the statute governing the administration of the Zone of Tangier was expected in French diplomatic circles since the disturbances in Tangier last week.

It was seen here as:

- 1.—A part of the Spanish Government's campaign to increase Spain's influence in international affairs, and
- 2.—Less directly as part of her campaign to woo Arab friendship.

The French Foreign Office declined any official comment on the Spanish move at this stage. The matter has not yet been considered by the French Cabinet, at present fully occupied with getting the Budget through the National Assembly.

But in usually well-informed circles it is thought unlikely that France will favour a revision of Tangier's statute at the present time.

Spain's request for a return to the 1923 statute would mean eliminating Soviet Russia from sharing in the international control of the Tangier Zone, a right given her by agreement in 1945.

Well-informed circles thought it would be inopportune to raise new difficulties with Moscow at the present time.

A return to the 1923 regime would mean that Spain would again control Tangier's police. Since 1945 the head of Tangier's police has been a Belgian.

French consultations with the Governments of the United States, Britain, Belgium, Holland, Italy and Portugal are expected before any move in reply to the Spanish note is made.—Reuter.

NOTE TO U.S.

Washington, Apr. 8. The State Department spokesman, Mr. Michael McDermott, said today that the United States was awaiting a note from Spain which it understood proposed revision of the 1945 agreement on

No Sign Of Teheran Settlement

London, Apr. 8.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, today said he appreciated the International Bank's initiative in its recent attempts to make arrangements for the interim operation of the Persian oil industry pending a settlement of the Anglo-Persian dispute.

After referring to the Bank's statement to the Press on its effort, Mr. Eden said in a written Parliamentary reply: "The Bank was acting as a neutral and impartial intermediary between the parties to the dispute and its position in this respect is clearly brought out in the statement."

"Members will note that the Bank, in the words of the statement, sees no prospect of going forward with its proposal in the immediate future."

"While I should be the first to welcome any sign from Teheran which would justify further efforts to find an acceptable basis of agreement, I am bound to say that at the moment I agree with the Bank."—Reuter.

Swedish Yard's Record

Gothenburg, Apr. 8.

The biggest ship ever built in Scandinavia, a 29,000-ton tanker, was launched today at the Goetaverken shipyard here. The 111-year-old shipbuilding company is the biggest in Sweden and has at times been ranked as being among the biggest in the world. It has orders for three 34,000-ton tankers to be delivered to the Norwegian shipping magnate, Anders Naive.

The new tanker will be delivered to a Swedish company.—United Press.

ANTI-NEHRU COALITION PLANNED

New Delhi, Apr. 8.

The Communist members of the new Indian Parliament will seek a Parliamentary coalition with non-communal Opposition groups on the basis of a common programme, Mr. R. K. Gopalan, Communist leader in Madras, who was elected to the House of the People (Lower House), told correspondents here today.

Foreign policy would form an important part of the proposed common programme, he added. "Today the Indian Government is tying itself more and more to the Anglo-American bloc. We would advocate closer relations with the Soviet Union, China and other democratic countries. We would also advocate free trade with these countries and oppose the giving of more and more trade facilities to America."

The House of the People has a total of 499 seats, 363 of which belong to Premier Nehru's Congress Party.—Reuter.

Rioters Given Gaol Terms

Casablanca, Apr. 8.

A Court here today sentenced 18 demonstrators, who were arrested during rioting on March 30, to prison terms ranging from three months to two years. Eleven others were acquitted.

March 30 was the anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Fez in 1912 between France and the Sultan of Morocco, establishing France's protectorate. A Franco-Spanish convention the same year set up a Spanish Moroccan Zone and an agreement in 1923 between Britain, France and Spain provided a special international statute for the Tangier Zone.

Moroccan nationalists campaigned to make March 30 a day of mourning.—Reuter.

President Truman Explains Aims Of "Point Four"

Washington, Apr. 8.

President Truman warned today that the United States could not survive as an island of prosperity in a sea of human misery.

President Truman was describing to a conference of private industrial and agricultural leaders here the objectives of his "Point Four" programme to assist the development of the world's under-developed areas.

He said, "Scientific progress has brought us to the point where mankind for the first time in human history can wipe poverty and ignorance and human misery clean off the face of the earth. Yet this cannot be done unless scientific progress is linked with political freedom. Without political freedom scientific progress can become a menace rather than a boon to humanity. In the hands of totalitarianism the scientific process can be used to destroy civilisation."

"The tremendous developments which have taken place in the Western world in modern times are having a profound effect upon ancient civilisations in Asia and Africa."

"The people of these areas have learned that they need not suffer hunger, disease and poverty. They know that something can be done to put a stop to these things. They also have learned of the ideals of political liberty and self-government."

GREAT DANGERS

"They are determined to establish their own free political and economic institutions— institutions which will make use of the best of our experience and will at the same time retain the best of their own cultures and their own great traditions."

"This I believe, is the mood and the temper that has come to Africa and Asia in my lifetime. It is good. It holds tremendous promise," President Truman said.

"At the same time it had great dangers," President Truman added. "Such a movement could be easily misused by the Communists who could exploit the hopes and aspirations of these peoples for their own evil ends."

"Unscrupulous agitators can use these forces of change to bring about disorder and bloodshed," President Truman continued. "We must do all we can to keep this from happening. We want to help the people of these areas. We want them to learn the methods of our science and of our industry and use these methods to develop their own resources. "If we could help the people of the Orient to get a well-balanced diet—three square meals a day instead of the few mouthfuls of rice that most of them eat now—just that one change alone would have more impact on the world than all the armies and battles of history."—Reuter.

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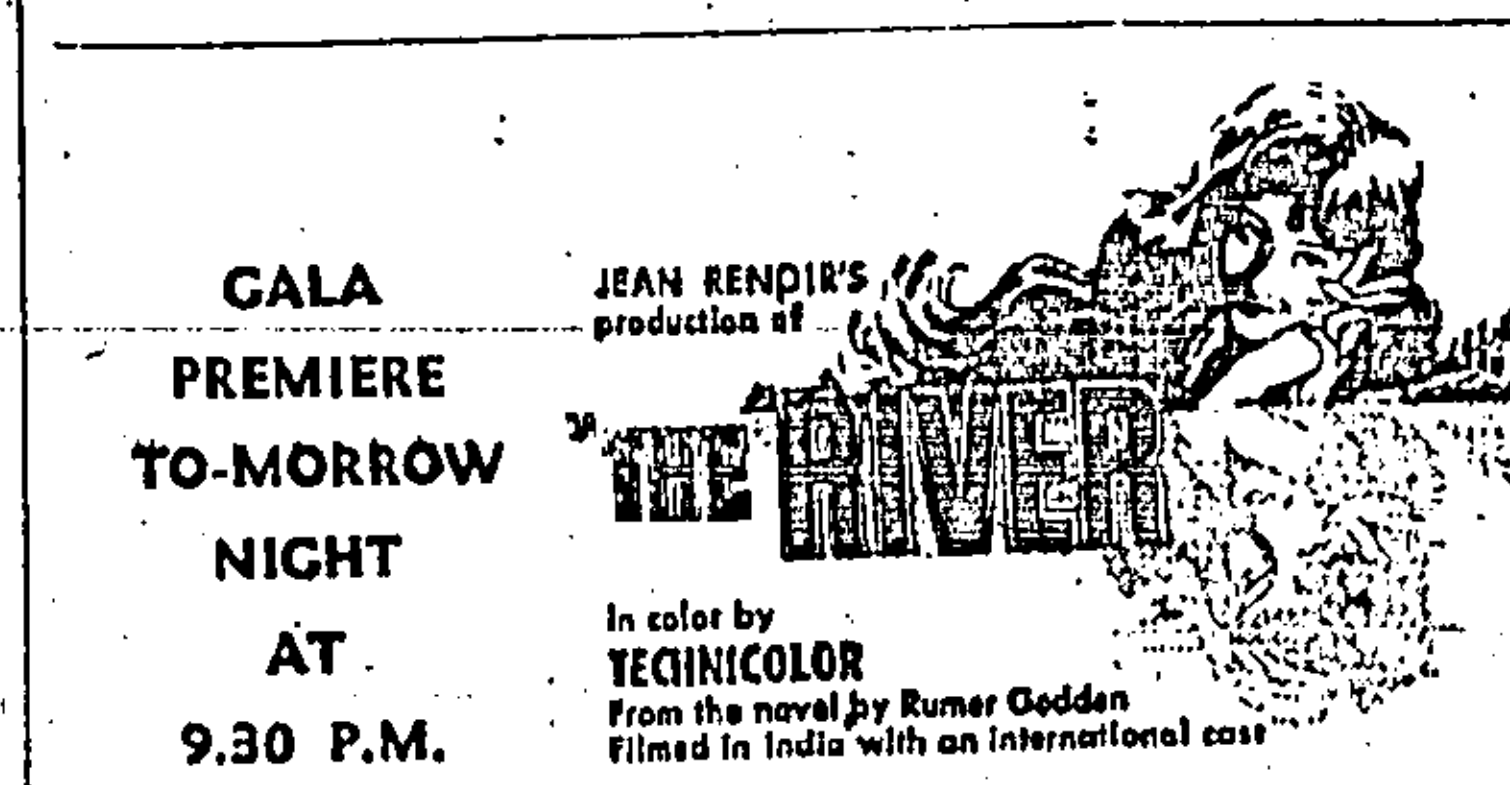
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Eleventh-Hour Bid To Avert US Steel Strike

New York, Apr. 8.

The United States Government's chief negotiator said today that he had put new proposals which might prevent the nation-wide strike of 655,000 steel workers due to start at midnight.

Mr Nathan P. Feinsinger, Chairman of the Wage Stabilisation Board, said that he had made certain suggestions as a basis for possible settlement to leaders of the industry and would now put them separately to union leaders.

"I wouldn't have embarked on this course had I not felt some confidence that the parties would be receptive," he said.

More than 100,000 members of the United Steelworkers' Union are already idle. The rest are under strike orders which will shut down 98 steel mills from the Atlantic to the Pacific at midnight.

The Wage Stabilisation Board has recommended a 17 1/2 cent an hour increase. The steel makers say that they cannot pay this unless they can increase prices by about \$12 a ton. The recommendations of the Board are not binding. The present steel price is about \$110 a ton.

Steel supplies to civilian firms have already been frozen.

The Commerce Department was said to be ready to take over the industry should President Truman order Government seizure of the mills. A White House spokesman said that it was thought likely that the President had ample authority to do so in the interest of public safety and security.

ORDERS DRAFTED

Commerce Department officials said that seizure orders had been drafted but no action could be taken until an announcement by the White House.

President Truman ordered the Secretary of Commerce, Mr Charles Sawyer, to return from the Mid-West to Washington today.

Several laws give the Government power to take over and operate an industry under certain conditions. The question is whether the conditions in the current steel controversy fill the legal requirements.

The steel industry has said the Government seizure and operation of their facilities would amount to "confiscation" and that they are prepared to fight in the courts any seizure move.

One possible alternative would be for the Government to seek an anti-strike injunction under the Taft-Hartley law, which permits an 80-day injunction against a strike which threatens the national welfare or safety.

The industry already was partly closed down, with furnaces being gradually stopped in advance preparations for a walk-out.

Balloon Test Again Fails

Glasgow, Apr. 8.

A second giant balloon, carrying equipment for studying cosmic radioactivity in the stratosphere, which was launched today by an atomic research team, fell into the sea after reaching 30,000 feet.

Scientists said it met turbulent air. As a result it lost hydrogen and then descended. Yesterday the first balloon fell into the sea after it had been up an hour.

The balloons were intended to reach 100,000 feet and stay there for about three hours so that information on cosmic rays could be recorded on photographic plates. Other information was expected to be radioed to the ground.—Reuter.

Uranium Find In Yugoslavia

Belgrade, Apr. 8.

High-grade uranium ore has been discovered in Yugoslavia, it is reported by well-informed sources here today.

The find is in Yugoslavia's Sava valley where the Bulgarian, Greek and Yugoslav frontiers meet.

The valley is one of the ancient routes for invasion through the Balkans and was most recently used in 1941 when the German armies drove through it to the sea, cutting off several Greek divisions.

The Strunja mountains form the southern tip of the north-south chain which already provided considerable uranium for the Soviet Union.

Almost due north of the Yugoslav find, Buzhovo in Bulgaria, the Soviet-run uranium mine, has been shipping 60 carloads of ore per day to Russia, according to a Bulgarian refugee who had worked for a year in the mine.

MORE EXPLOITATION
Still farther to the north, according to well-informed Yugoslav sources, more exploitation of new uranium discoveries is planned for this Spring in the region of Turnu Severin on the Rumanian border.

Geologists had long expected that uranium would be discovered in Yugoslavia because of its extensive lead deposits, but this is believed to be the first definite confirmation of their predictions.

The discovery was made in the early Autumn of 1951, it was learned.

The site was immediately sealed off as a military reserve and large groups of workers, largely prison labour, brought in.

Actual production, at least on a small scale, is believed to be already under way.—United Press.

MYRON COWEN'S NEW POST

Washington, Apr. 8.
Mr Myron Cowen, former US Ambassador to the Philippines, has been chosen by the State Department to replace Mr Robert Murphy as American Ambassador in Brussels.

Mr Cowen, who returned last December from Manila, is at present special adviser with the State Department on foreign aid.—France-Press.

TO REMEMBER BATAAN

Washington, Apr. 8.
The House today completed Congressional action on a resolution making Wednesday Bataan Day, marking the 10th anniversary of the fall of the peninsula.

The measure, approved by the Senate and now sent to the White House, calls for the display by the public of the U.S. and Philippine flags, and "spiritual services" in schools and churches.—Associated Press.

Heavy Turn-Out Of Voters In Illinois Presidential Primary

TAFT VICTORY PREDICTED

Chicago, Apr. 8.

Nearly 2,000,000 voters are trekking to the polls in Illinois today to cast ballots in the State's presidential primaries.

Illinois, the hub of the Middle-West, is electing 50 delegates to party national conventions which will meet here next July to choose their presidential candidates.

Balmy spring weather encouraged a heavy vote. Polls are to close at 5 p.m. local time.

Traditionally Democratic Chicago is piling up an expected heavy Republican primary vote.

The Republican vote is reckoned to result in a certain win for Senator Taft, General Eisenhower's chief rival for nomination.

The only rival named on the ballot paper is Mr Harold Stassen. Mr Taft will probably gain a huge majority on presidential preference or popularity contests and may win 45 of the 50 delegates.

General Eisenhower can get only "write-in" votes.

The consensus here is that if he polled 20 per cent of the popular vote in this Taft stronghold it will be as significant as the much bigger share he obtained in Minnesota against Mr Stassen.

Mr Taft, still showing no sign of wear and tear after thousands of miles of travel and hundreds of speeches, has concentrated here on blocking General Eisenhower "write-ins."

HARD ON "IKE"

Illinois law stipulates that "write-in" votes must be followed by a square as on the printed ballot paper—and be marked by an X in the square. Until last week the law had insisted that a candidate's name should be spelled correctly—a vote loser in the case of General Eisenhower.

But a State judge ruled that a name had only to be "written understandably" to be a valid vote.

The interpretation of "understandably" rests with counting officers.

As most of the counties in which votes are counted are pro-Taft there is a widespread belief that many Eisenhower "write-ins" will be ruled invalid.

The Democrat primary remained a walk-over for Senator Kefauver, the only aspirant with his name on the ballot paper, but a last-minute write-in campaign for Governor Stevenson, the Governor of Illinois, is expected to yield a considerable poll.

If it reflected a wide popular wish that Governor Stevenson should be a candidate he might change his mind and become a willing candidate for the presidency, Democratic Party leaders hope.—Reuter.

RESIGNATION REPORT

Washington, Apr. 8.
The United States Defence Secretary, Mr Robert Lovett, replied today to a comment which General Eisenhower's resignation as the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe.

Later, President Truman's Press Secretary, Mr Joseph Short, told reporters that the White House had received nothing from the General in the nature of a request for relief from his post.

Mr Lovett was questioned after he held a 35-minute conference with President Truman at the White House.

Earlier in the day a report had been published saying that General Eisenhower had written to Mr Lovett submitting his resignation and that the letter was expected to reach him today.

Earlier enquiries at the Defence Headquarters brought a denial that the letter had reached Mr Lovett and a spokesman said he did not know if General

Eisenhower had, in fact, written any letter.

In Paris today, General Eisenhower's election campaign manager, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, disclaimed knowledge of reports that the General had sent his resignation to Mr Robert Lovett.

Senator Lodge is leaving for New York tonight after a five-day visit.

AN ADMISSION?

The reports that General Eisenhower had already sent in his resignation provoked "no comment" at Supreme Headquarters in Paris today but some observers think the absence of an outright denial may, in fact, be a tacit admission that it has been despatched to Washington.

They did not expect, however, that his resignation would take effect immediately but that the General would probably return home in the second or third week in May after a farewell tour of the NATO nations.

Before his departure at Orly Airport, Paris, Senator Lodge said: "I am very much encouraged by my visit to France. I feel I have been talking to the next President of the United States, who will bring lasting peace not only to the United States but to the world."

"I only wish that every American could come over and talk with him as I have done. I was very favourably impressed with General Eisenhower's general attitude and was also encouraged by talks with French public men."

Senator Lodge said that his next move in the "Eisenhower for President" campaign would be to continue the campaign in Houston and Dallas (Texas) and Oklahoma, as soon as he gets back to the United States.—Reuter.

FAREWELL LUNCH?

Paris, Apr. 8.
General Dwight D. Eisenhower played host today at what appeared to be a "farewell" lunch for his fellow officers in the NATO Command but refused to comment on reports that his letter of resignation has reached Washington.

The Supreme Commander of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation's countries entertained scores of senior officers who have gathered here for his headquarters' first large-scale "paper war" exercises.

Because of Washington reports that the General's resignation had been received there, the luncheon was regarded by many as a farewell party for the commander of the European Defence effort.

General Eisenhower posed jovially for photographers before the banquet but refused to answer any questions about his reported resignation.

He arrived at the Royal Monceau Hotel with Turkish, Italian and French officers and introduced them to Lord Louis Mountbatten before entering the banquet room.

Word of his reported resignation is the primary topic of conversation among Belgian, Dutch and French officers who arrived.



Mme. de Terwangne, fashionable Parisienne, models this striking carwheel hat by Rose Valois. Like so many smart women today, Mme. de Terwangne is most enthusiastic about the latest fashion of rose-tinting the gums. She knows how this makes the teeth look even whiter, by contrast, and the smile so much more alluring.

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Mr. Eden Advocates Caution

REFERENCE TO RED FEELERS

Glasgow, Apr. 8.
The Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, said here tonight that the deterrent effect of increasing Western strength was already producing a greater willingness to negotiate on the part of others than there was some six months ago.

Mr Eden believed that the danger of war in Europe had receded and that this was largely due to the policy of the Western Allies of building up strength without provocation.

"We must persevere with that policy not as a threat to anyone but as an indication of our determination to preserve our way of life."

"I have never refused—not would I refuse—to enter into any discussion whose serious purpose was the reduction of international tension and the promotion of a specific agreement on a given issue."

"But what we must not do is to be drawn into tangled and interminable negotiations whose only purpose is to prevent progress with schemes of international understanding on which the nations of the West are now actively engaged."

GRAVEST DANGER

"I sum up by saying: Serious negotiations on any occasion—yes. Time wasting contortions on every occasion—no."

Mr Eden was speaking at a political meeting in St. Andrew's Hall.

It was important that Britain should work closely with the Commonwealth in solving political, economic and financial problems, he stated.

Turning to the rising unemployment in Britain's textile industry, Mr Eden said it was true that a world-wide recession in textiles was causing the loss of work in the industry, but if the Government had not adopted the policy that it did the country's whole economy would have collapsed.

Mr Eden said, "Our nation has been very close to economic disaster and we are still in the gravest danger. Seldom in our history has the Government had to face such formidable problems on every front in so short a space."—Reuter.

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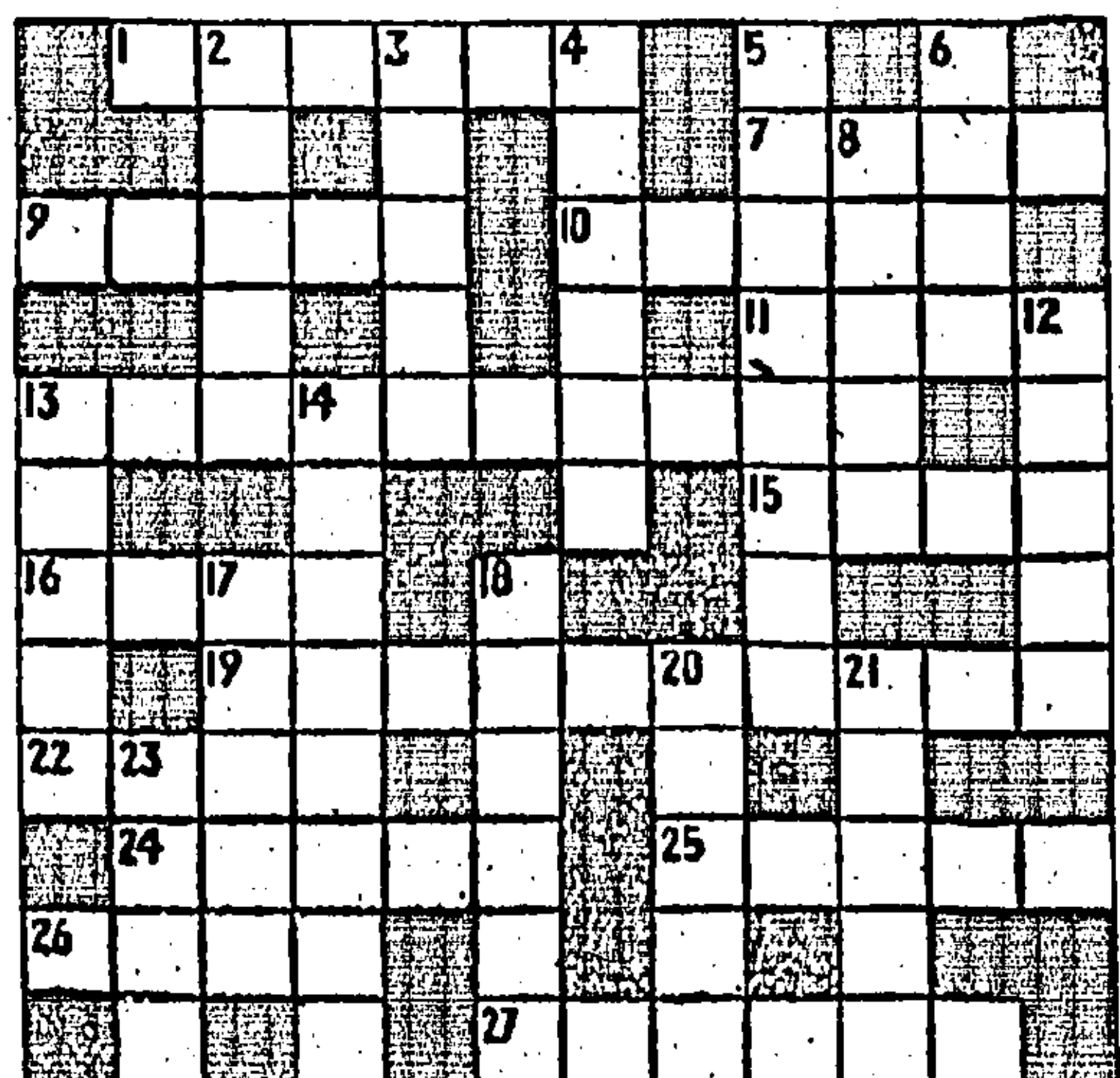
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| 10 Annoyed (5). | 5 Clever (8). |
| 11 London statue (4). | 6 Bathing place (4). |
| 13 Driving along (10). | 7 Strong material (5). |
| 15 Swiss hero (4). | 8 Not hollow (5). |
| 16 Passport endorsement (4). | 12 Furling-point (5). |
| 18 Ill-treated (10). | 13 Extolling (8). |
| 22 Digits of foot (4). | 17 Smudge (5). |
| 24 Braces (5). | 18 Pure (6). |
| 25 Bury (5). | 20 Commotion (5). |
| 26 Mountain lake (4). | 21 Lissome (5). |
| 27 Team (6). | 23 Gown (4). |

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Sleepy, 4 Scoff, 7 Robust, 8 Angle, 10 Lira, 12 Returns, 16 Knead, 18 Meet, 17 Even, 19 Newog, 20 Dejects, 21 Dour, 23 Seals, 24 Pistol, 25 Trade, 26 Tended. Down: 1 Strolled, 2 Embarked, 3 Pest, 5 Consumed, 6 Felmo, 8 Codes, 11 Annulled, 13 Rants, 15 Re-routed, 14 Started, 16 Vencer, 22 Wise.

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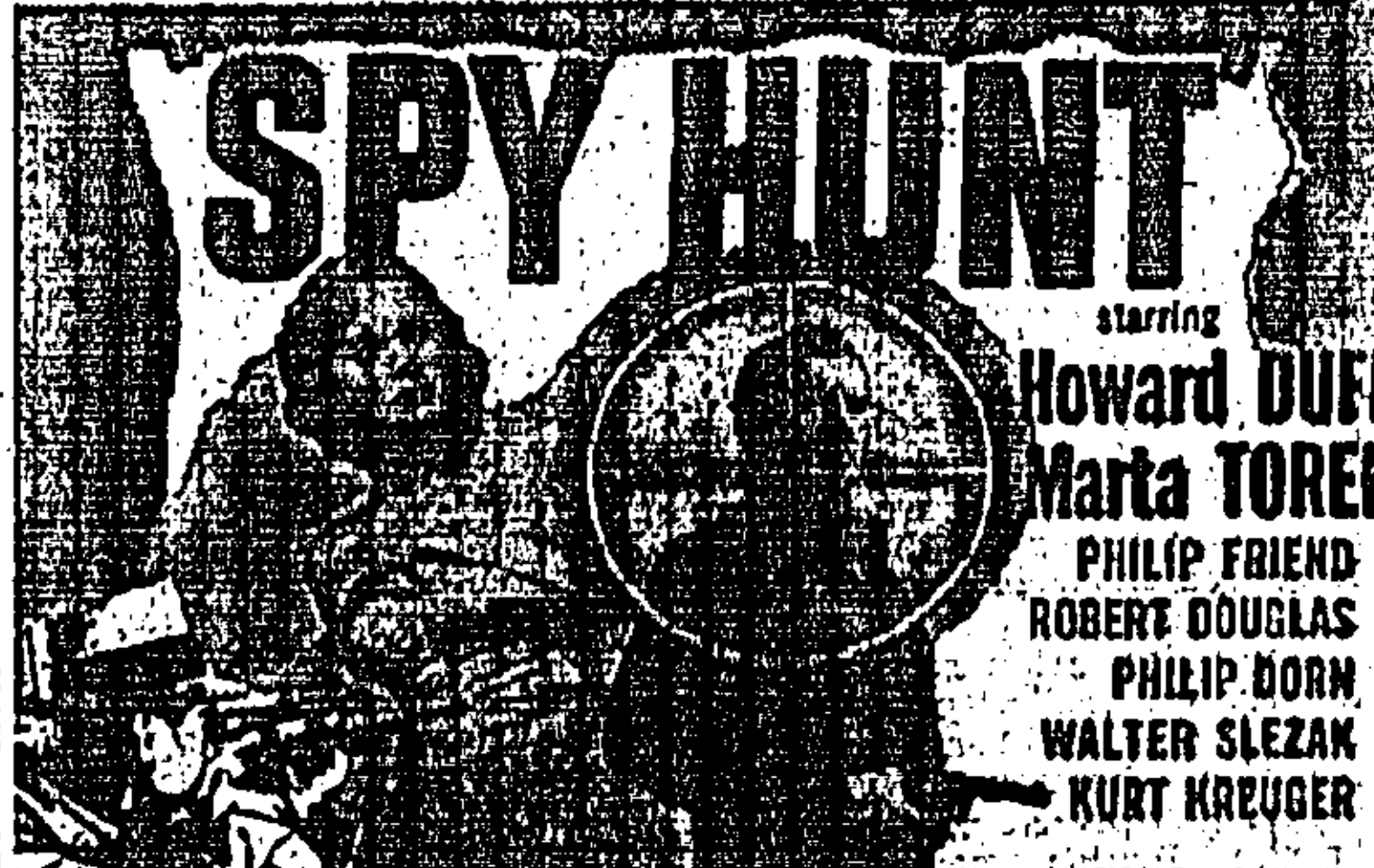
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London Express Service

The Curtain Comes Down Over Austria

—By—

RITCHIE McEWEN

FOR six months I have been watching the stormy overture to what may prove to be the final act in Four-Power Occupation in Austria.

An Iron Curtain, every bit as rigid and effective as its German counterpart, is slowly, almost imperceptibly, but remorselessly falling across the middle of Austria.

And as it falls the orchestra plays. The baton is in the capable hands of portly, wily General Swiridov, Russian High Commissioner, and commander of Red Army forces deployed across the broad plains of Eastern Austria and Hungary.

His stand: This fortnightly Allied Council meeting in Vienna.

His orchestra: The Austrian Communist Party, the Red Press, and powerful, Russian-controlled R.A.V.A.G. radio station in Vienna.

Six months ago the tubby general, credited with the crushing of nationalism and democratic aspirations in Hungary, launched a vicious and unprecedented attack on the Western Powers and the Austrian Government.

ing a series of "drop curtains," designed to stifle "reaction" in her own zone, to weaken the power of Austrian officials in Eastern Austria, and to cut off trade between Eastern and Western Austria, in readiness for the day when the Iron Curtain proper clamps down, condemning over half the population to a life similar to that of Eastern Germany.

This is how the curtains drop:

1 "Land reform" closely following the pattern familiar in Communist satellite countries, aimed at dispossessing landowners (including the State) and farmers.

2 Progressive curtailment of Austrian civil and police authority by Russian Town-majors who frequently intervene to protect rowdy Austrian agitators from justice.

3 Prohibition of the free Press. More than 50 Austrian, Swiss and West German newspapers have been banned, while Austrian mayors are forced to subscribe to Communist and Red Army newspapers and to

display them on special hoardings outside their offices.

4 Gradual suppression of East to West trade inside Austria. Numerous materials and finished goods are subject to Russian licences, before they can be sent to other parts of the country. The Russians are withholding licences on an ever-increasing scale.

5 Large-scale extension of the U.S.I.A. shop system. Already there are over 400 of these Communist general goods stores, which sell products made in factories taken over by the Russians as ex-enemy property, and tobacco, spirits and food-stuffs smuggled "legally" into Austria behind the Iron Curtain, at cut-throat prices.

Russian Maw

AS U.S.I.A. firms pay no taxes, and no duty is paid on the "imported" goods, the Russians are able to drive ordinary Austrian shopkeepers out of

business, and at the same time boost the "popularity" of the People's Democracy.

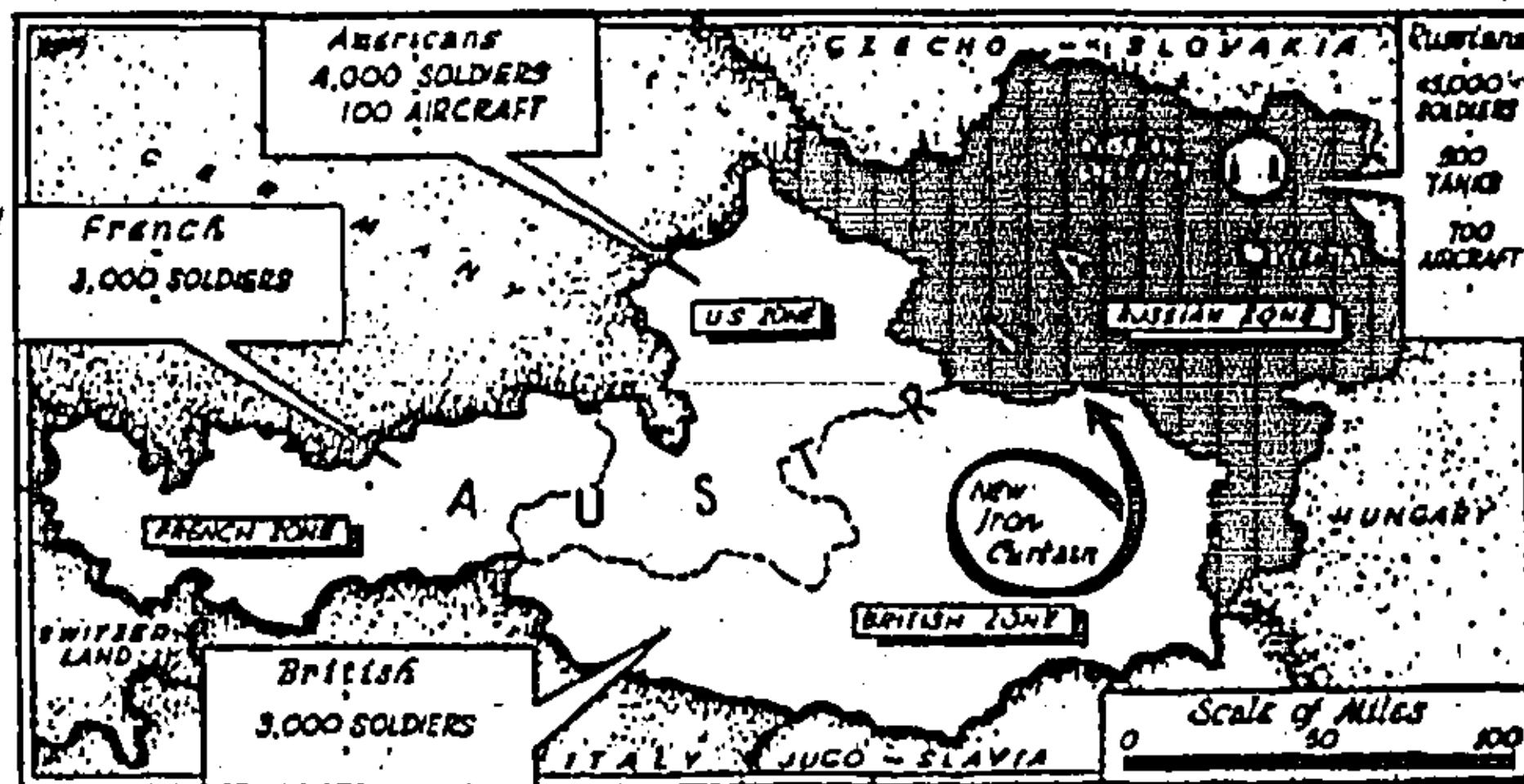
In addition, the Russians are systematically draining the Austrian economy of as much as the Americans put in under Marshall aid.

Of the output from the rich Zistersdorf oilfields northeast of Vienna, as well as vast quantities of scarce raw materials and goods made in the U.S.I.A. factories, 85 per cent are whisked off to Russia and her satellites.

Despite precautions, quantities of materials imported under E.R.P. aid are finding their way into the Russian maw.

Against all these measures the Austrian Government is powerless. It can only stand firm and defiant, encouraging its people to defy their "liberators" as best they can.

Now, the Russian bear, bristling for long behind its Czech and Hungarian tubs, appears at last to have decided to move forward and swallow its section of Austria as completely as it has already swallowed the Eastern half of Germany.



Sitting On The Fence

By NATHANIEL GUBBINS

According to the Chicago Tribune, the hunting season in Britain, ending this month, will have cost more than £1,000,000. The cost of killing each fox is estimated at £1,000.

"Riding is the best exercise for the liver."—A riding master in an interview.

TALLY ho, tally ho, and away we go, Over the fence and river.

It may cost money, but don't cher know It's so jolly good for the liver.

Jigety jog in our huntin' togs, We ride with horse and hound, Tally ho, tally ho, and away we go, If it costs a million pound.

Tally ho, tally ho and away we go, You hear the rabble mutter At the price of meat and the price of tea, And the price of eggs and butter, If it costs a million pounds to kill

We feel too fit to bother a bit, Jigety, jigety jog.

Jigety, jigety, jigety jog They talk of war with Russia Bumpety over the field and bog They said the same of Prussia Jigety jog in our huntin' togs We're fit to face the foe And foot the bill and make the kill

At a thousand pounds a go.

At a thousand pounds a go, a go Fordin the stream and river Tally—ho, tally—ho, tally—ho, tally ho

It's so jolly good for the liver Jigety, jigety, jigety jog

No time to get the hump No time to think in our huntin' pink Bumpety, bumpety bump.

*Dog fox.

Mind over matter

Asked by counsel if he had consulted another psychiatrist on the case, Dr. Van Peit, specialist in medical hypnosis, said: "There are too many psychiatrists coming to me for treatment for me to have asked their opinion."

DR. GUBBINS, the Fleet Street quack, writes:—

Dr. Van Peit's observation not only reveals the ridiculous state of affairs now existing in higher medical circles, but reminds me of the case of Dr. X, a psychiatrist, who went every Tuesday and Thursday to consult another psychiatrist, Dr. Y, about his father fixation.

Dr. Y went to consult Dr. X every Wednesday and Friday about his mother fixation.

On each occasion they used mail, hypnosis, and, while in a trance, revealed minds so disarranging that they soon hated the sight of each other.

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So the next time Dr. Y went to Dr. X for treatment Dr. X gave him a bill for £100, which Dr. Y paid at once by cheque.

Then Dr. X put Dr. Y into a trance, told him he had not paid the bill, and made him write out another cheque—for £200.

"You will forget all about this when you wake, you filthy-minded beast," Dr. X told Dr. Y.

Dr. Y did forget, but the counterfoil in his cheque book told him what had happened.

Therefore, when Dr. X called for a consultation on the following Tuesday, Dr. Y played the same trick on him for £500.

After months of this nonsense, they realised that if they didn't do something drastic they would either ruin each other or go mad.

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So they both consulted another psychiatrist, Dr. Z, who was smarter than either of them.

Dr. Z put them both in a trance, made them go to their banks, draw a cheque on "Self" for £25,000 without using the counterfoils, and bring the money back to his surgery.

Then he told them to forget they had ever seen or heard of him, bought a luxury yacht, and went on a world cruise.

Here comes the bride

TOMMY MANVILLE, 58, heir to an asbestos fortune, who hopes to divorce his eighth wife and marry his ninth, Miss Ruth Webb, an American night club singer, told New York reporters: "I don't know Miss Webb very well. I have only had lunch with her once or twice."

This sort of thing happens so often in America that embarrassing scenes like this following must be commonplace.

Let me see. What's your name again?

Darling. Surely you remember?

And don't call me darling. I got no time for girls who call me pet names on first acquaintance.

You're telling me you think this is our first meeting. I am telling you, and what's more I know the line of talk you never seen.

You stand there and say you don't remember giving me lunch?

Lunch? I wouldn't give you a bag of peanuts.

And I suppose you don't remember asking me to marry you?

Just what I thought. Blackmail. Listen, sister. It's girls like you that are debauching the youth and demoralising the fair name of America.

Why, you big tramp, you.

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I got influence at City Hall and I'll call the mayor right now and have you and your kind run out of town.

Say, are you getting married tomorrow?

I certainly am.

What's the name of the bride?

I just forgot at the moment. Would this letter in your own handwriting help? See. It begins "My own darling..." Well, for crying out loud. So it is you after all.

It is I. See you in church tomorrow.

I'll be there.

You better be. O. K., darling?

Yeah, O. K. darling.

—(London Express Service)

THE LONDON STAGE: BY RONALD ROPER

AS AMERICANS VIEW ELIZABETH

London, Apr. 3.

BUT for Court mourning, Her Majesty might have dispensed with a royal tradition which seems to avoid first-nights at the theatre and taken the opportunity of seeing "The Young Elizabeth."

Almost certainly she would like to see Mary Morris, in red tresses as Henry VIII's daughter, proclaimed Queen of England at the age of 25 — on the stage of the New Theatre.

That is as far as this excellent play takes us in the life of the first Elizabeth. It is far enough to do more than hint that the young puss was to grow up into as formidable a feline as ever graced a throne.

Miss Morris is an ideal actress for the part, with plenty of "presence," nerve and wit. She is even caught—and forgiven—by Katherine Parr (Margaretta Scott), the last of Henry's wives, in a compromising scene with Lord Thomas Seymour (Joseph O'Connor).

Men are the noblest of God's creatures," says the Queen-to-be, "and women are most fortunate in being necessary to them."

Other character studies in this play are carefully portrayed by Godfrey Kenton and Robert Aldine, who also took part in the earlier presentation by the Repertory Players. But for the first time it has been seen in London by its American authors, Jennette Dowling and her husband, Francis Letton, who incidentally saw the inside of a London theatre before any of the traditional outdoor sights.

They must have reckoned their bumpety cravering of the Atlantic worth while when they heard

the thunder of applause as the curtain fell on "The Young Elizabeth."

They took infinite pains with the historical background to the play and, as Alan Dent reminds us, it is all to the good that the episode should have been written by Americans. Was not the best play ever written about Abraham Lincoln by Drinkwater?

Heavy though the burden of Elizabeth may yet lie on her shoulders, she at least has been spared the life of intrigue and personal fear which from the beginning were the lot of her illustrious predecessor, whom circumstances often forced into hypocrisy in the cause of the England she had so deeply at heart.

It isn't often that a critic will band it to the BBC that a televised play is to be preferred to the real thing in the theatre. The other night there was a good opportunity of making a comparison between the same play in different media but between two thrillers.

"Stately Homes," well directed and acted, though it was at Swiss Cottage, has a plot about as rugged as it could be—mainly concerned with improbable robbery by equally improbable guests while a great house is open to the public and the hostess is conveniently absent.

"Dial M for Murder," on TV, despite an element of improbability about the manner in which a husband bargains with a salesman to strangle his wife, achieved a remarkable sense of awareness and reality.

To one who saw both productions, it was significant that, though it was at Swiss Cottage, has a plot about as rugged as it could be—mainly concerned with improbable robbery by equally improbable guests while a great house is open to the public and the hostess is conveniently absent.

One ought not, perhaps, to allege of the audience at a Chekhov play that they didn't know whether to treat it as ridiculous or sublime, but that can be a dilemma presented by "Uncle Vanya" at the Arts Club Theatre.

A difficult climax comes in the third act, where Vanya (Cyril Luckman, who was Aaron in "The Fireborn") shoots at but misses his brother-in-law, Since "The Cherry Orchard" and "Ivanov," this is the third Chekhov play in a new translation by J. P. Davies.

Television, reflects Mr. Dent, may in the end kill the theatre and even sooner the cinema. But he takes comfort from the conviction that it won't do so in his lifetime.

"I would go further and suggest," he adds, "that it won't be until about the year 2000—though someone startlingly pointed out the other day that this is only 48 years ahead—that we should really seriously envisage such a digressing and blessedly remote possibility."

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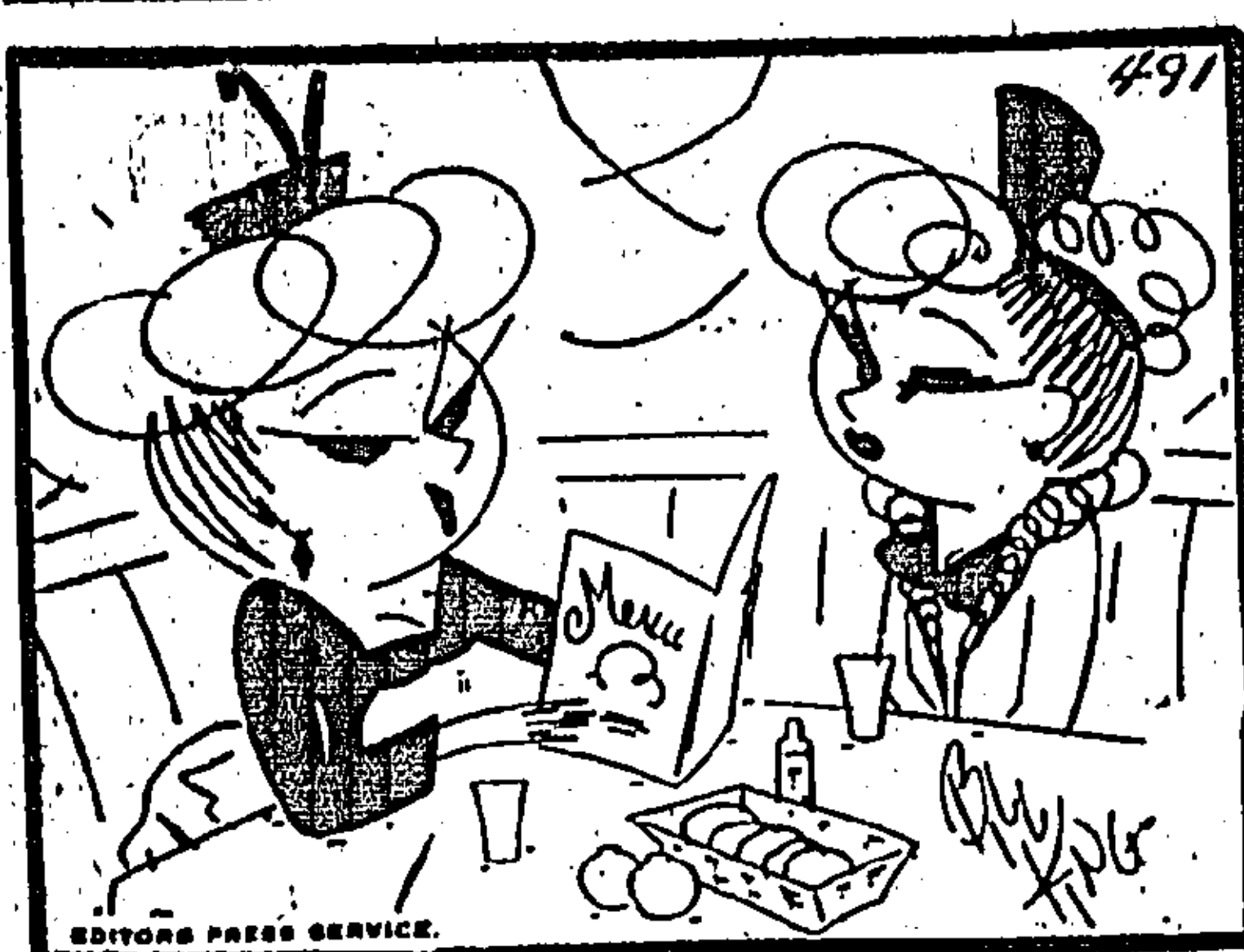
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POCKET CARTOON

By OSBERT LANCASTER



"Well, of course, darling, if you're prepared to pay off your creditors, give up eating, and have tridrats, then we shall come out all square!"



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

I AM vindicated at last. Many young people think that my frequent references to the drinking of champagne from the slippers of actresses are mere foolery.

But the other day a Gaiety girl told me, in 1909, a Russian Grand Duke drank from her slipper. After that, it seems a little ungrateful of me to complain that he left the slipper damp. However, he sent her a dozen new pairs.

I knew a Gaiety girl who had a false sole fixed to her slippers, a kind of secret compartment. When the champagne was poured out, some of it trickled through, and was taken home to Ma.

Fort in a riding boot

A story is told of a merry old dog who tried to revive this custom a year or two ago. The girl he was with seemed very reluctant to hand over her slipper, and finally he had to explain that it was a sandal. And in Melton Mowbray they tell of a member of the Quorum who, at a meet, drank port from a lady's riding boot, more through greed than gallantry.

Scenes of wild excitement

THE rollicking suggestion that chess matches should be televised will probably be adopted soon. "Anything to live things up," as the actress said when the stockbroker got his hands on the teabucket. I look forward to the running, or rather crawling, commentary on a televised chess match. The population will giggle with delight when, after five minutes of immobility, a hesitant hand is stretched out towards a pawn. "I—I—I think he's going to move a piece," says the commentator. "Yes, he is," says the other. "This is tremendous, this is incredible—he's touched the pawn—now he's moving his hand away—no—no—no—this is amazing—now he's thinking hard again. His

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

BORN today, your fiery and impulsive nature may need some curbing if you are to reach the heights to which your talents should take you. Your enthusiasm is unbounding and you enter on life like a full-sailed ship in a gale. Be careful a mast doesn't snap fearlessly in the face of criticism or opposition. You are sometimes a little slow in getting started. But once on your way, it's a run to the finish line. Learn to regulate your energies and your progress will be steady.

You women born on this day have an imperious nature and can be demanding without apology. You have a certain charm and are especially attractive to members of the opposite sex. Home and family mean a great deal to you and

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Get in touch with absent members of your family. Telephone if you can.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—New ideas should be developed today, so get routine jobs out of the way speedily.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

V. I. P.

By T. O. HARE

"That the Ministry of Car-pets and Curtains?"

Yes.

I'm speaking for a Very Important Person the Minister for Blueprints. His Committee room carpet has been delivered, but it's a little late. The Minister stipulated for a square carpet, it gave five yards, and the required and—to make doubly sure—the perimeter. The area of the carpet is at odds, but the perimeter is wrong. It's 125 feet. Have another carpet sent, will you?

We'll send you the appropriate form.

All carpets supplied by the Ministry of Carpets and Curtains are an exact number of feet each way.

What was the perimeter of the carpet which the Minister had ordered?

(Solution on Page 10)

Check Your Knowledge

1. On what book is the film, "A Place in the Sun," based?
2. What is the meaning of the phrase, "Penelope's Web"?
3. What is the capital of Norway?
4. What is the most primitive form of exercise?
5. How long was Methuselah reputed to have lived?
6. What city is called "Queen of the Black Forest"?

(Answers on Page 10)

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Here's A Good Play Worth Remembering

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Opening lead—♠ 2			

By OSWALD JACOBY

"HERE'S an interesting hand for your column," writes C. M. Smith, of Madison, Wisconsin.

East opens the deuce of diamonds, and East wins with the ace. East returns the queen of diamonds, and South wins with the king. East is then unable to find a way to defeat the contract. If East leads the jack of diamonds, South can cover with the king and let West ruff. Dummy's ten will later supply the one diamond trick that South needs for his contract.

East does no better by returning the ace of diamonds, since South can let this ride to dummy's ten. West can ruff, of course, but will then have to lead a diamond safely tucked away for later use.

East shifts to a different suit. East draws three rounds of trumps and cashes his king of diamonds at leisure.

How about that?

Very, very neat. As the reader can see for himself, South has a contract if he puts up the king of diamonds at the second trick. West suffers substantially, and now South must still lose two more diamond tricks.

Suppose some expert in Madison actually made this elegant play for a few years.

Cypriot teeth

NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND pounds' worth of false teeth is rather a mouthful. That is the figure, vouches for the fact, of a recently arrived export of the past-year from Cyprus. These teeth are made of a material called "Cyprusite," a kind of gypsum, hardened in copper vats, and blended on gauze and stretched between teeth.

This method was invented by a Greek sailor named Rododakulos in 1912, and the factory was built in 1920 by the financiers Hector Konstantoulos and Nikky Apieros.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding in the game as in the question just answered. You South, hold: Spades K-O-3, Hearts A-K-4, Clubs A-K-2, Diamonds A-K-2. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

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Across

1. The owner obviously has visions of a "fat" (10)
2. Told I not Ted. (4)
3. Hunger that will ensure ice. (10)
4. Change direction. (4)
5. Contrarily a fast stroke. (3)
6. Once back to dwell. (4)
7. Offer without reward. (10)
8. Time left a lot. (4)
9. A tip. (3)
10. A tip. (3)
11. Make me a grocer of fine threads. (10)
12. Even with the container it makes a spinach. (6)
13. Entree, sweet or savoury? (10)

Down

1. Hervant. (8)
2. Startled goat story. (10)
3. Fruit and insect with noddling. (10)
4. Maintenance. (6)
5. Help from an unmanly individual. (10)
6. Disclosure a reveal. (6)
7. At this you make up. (10)
8. Found in all service clubs. (8)
9. Rustle around. (6)
10. They are inventing down young. (10)
11. Especially the wild aspects. (4)
12. Explosive parent. (10)
13. A young charge on a chair. (10)
14. Edge following one would be an obstacle. (10)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle—Across: 1. Visions; 2. Told; 3. Hunger; 4. Change; 5. Contrarily; 6. Once; 7. Offer; 8. Time; 9. A tip; 10. A tip; 11. Make me; 12. Even with; 13. Entree. Down: 1. Hervant; 2. Startled; 3. Fruit; 4. Maintenance; 5. Help; 6. Disclosure; 7. At this; 8. Found; 9. Rustle; 10. They are; 11. Especially; 12. Explosive; 13. A young; 14. Edge.

Chess Problem

By J. G. LLAMAS

Black, 8 pieces.

White to play.

Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. QxP; 2. Q, or Kt (ch); 3. Q, or Kt (ch); 4. Q, or Kt (ch); 5. Q, or Kt (ch); 6. Q, or Kt (ch); 7. Q, or Kt (ch); 8. Q, or Kt (ch); 9. Q, or Kt (ch); 10. Q, or Kt (ch); 11. Q, or Kt (ch); 12. Q, or Kt (ch); 13. Q, or Kt (ch); 14. Q, or Kt (ch); 15. Q, or Kt (ch); 16. Q, or Kt (ch); 17. Q, or Kt (ch); 18. Q, or Kt (ch); 19. Q, or

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB EASTER RACE MEETING

Saturday, 12th & Sunday, 14th April, 1952
(Held under the Rules of The Hong Kong Jockey Club)

The First Race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The time interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are twelve races each day (24 in all). Through Tickets at \$48.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Treasurers, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting on 14th April as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Hong Kong Derby" scheduled to be run on 31st May, 1952.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 11th April, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TOTALISATOR

The attention of Totalisator Investors is drawn to the following rules:—

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies as declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "All Clear" signal will be indicated by a white light at the Totalisator. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESERT OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED.

Totalisator Tickets should be examined and checked before leaving the Selling Counters as mistakes of any description cannot be rectified later.

Cash received in respect of Dividends should be checked before leaving the Pay-Out Counters as no claim for short payment of the value of tickets presented can be entertained once investors have left the Counters.

All winning tickets and tickets for refunds must be presented for payment at the Race Course on the day to which they refer, but none will be paid later than one hour after the time for which the last race of the day has been scheduled to be run.

In no circumstances will any Dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment WILL NOT be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

MEMBERS ARE INFORMED THE 1952 SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES NOW SUPERSEDE THE PREVIOUS ISSUE.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices, the Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 including tax for all persons including Ladies, and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

No re-admission tickets will be issued in future. BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

On the day of the Meeting in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

NOTICE

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THERE'S NOT MUCH MORE TO JOHNNY WILLIAMS THAN THERE WAS BEFORE

Says DEREK JOHN

Johnny Williams' decisive victory over Jack Gardner has given Britain and the Empire a new Champion, but very little new hope of extending British honours in the highly-competitive field of international heavyweight boxing.

Williams has improved immensely since his last meeting with Gardner 17 months ago, while the ex-Champion has, at best, stood still. That much at least was demonstrated at Earls Court when, despite a narrow escape from disaster in the 15th round, Williams finished a comfortable winner on points. Last time the two met, the verdict was reversed and Williams was carried from the ringside to the local hospital.

But Williams' improvement has not been matched by a corresponding improvement in his opponent. Gardner—a man 20 pounds heavier than himself—several times with rights that flashed out with the speed of lightning and landed flush on the Champion's jaw. But everything he had was behind those blows, and Jack just shook his head and came back for more.

There are still among the followers of the gentle art quite a few who consider they have had their money's worth if they see a display of polished boxing. On the other hand, there are those who calculate the entertainment value of a fight by the number of knockdown blows that are delivered.

So far as the Gardner-Williams bout was concerned, the latter must have counted this poor entertainment indeed.

Except for the last round, there was nothing much to distinguish this fight from many other less-publicised, and less expensive, heavyweight contests. We had a pleasing spectacle of a good little "un" beating a good big "un", but very little else.

Williams was obviously determined to stay well out of reach of Gardner's lethal right hand—and did so with remarkable success. The fact that Gardner never quite caught up with him, however, was not only due to Williams' speed and superior ringcraft, the Champion's

lamentable lack of experience also had something to do with it. Should Williams ever come up against a top-ranking American heavyweight—as he must do sooner or later if he is to stay in business—I am afraid we should see a repetition of a now familiar boxing phenomenon.

CLASSIC EXAMPLE

It has been proved, time and again, that when textbook boxing tactics are employed against the set-up-and-slog-em-down type of fighter, the outcome is nearly always in favour of the latter. We saw a classic example of this when Dick Turpin (brother of the more famous Turpin) met the late Marcel Cerdan.

Turpin, a master of defensive boxing, kept Cerdan at arm's length for seven rounds. But Cerdan was not the inexperienced boxer that Gardner is. What is more, he carried dynamite in his left fist, and though he was no mean boxer himself, he knew enough not to try to outbox a man who brought the text-books to life.

It is now a matter of boxing history that Cerdan, awaiting his opportunity—with infinite patience, caught Turpin off guard just once. But that was enough. He flashed in a perfect left hook—and Turpin woke up in his corner with his seconds working over him.

The theory, was proved again—Q.E.D.

That, I am afraid, is what we might see if Williams is matched with heavyweights of the calibre of Rocky Marciano or Jersey Joe Walcott. The fact is that our new champion is little more than a light heavyweight. But that need not be a permanent disadvantage.

Ted Broadbent, his manager—who is, incidentally, one of the most experienced and successful handlers in Britain—plans to take him to America for a few ten-rounders against some of the more promising local talent. That might work wonders—especially if it teaches Williams to combine his superb defensive style with a more aggressive outlook.—(London Express Service)

Two-kick Player Starts An Uproar

Tottenham Hotspur, last year's football champions, won a key match on April 2 in the last minute of the game—by what experts are now calling an illegal goal.

Their opponents, Huddersfield Town, immediately protested to the League.

This is how it all happened:—

Eddie Baily, "Spurs" inside left, took a corner kick. The ball struck Referee W. R. Barnes as he crouched to watch the flight and rebounded to Baily.

INTO THE NET.

He lobbed the ball into the goalmouth. Centre forward Len Duquemin, "The Duke" to every "Spurs" fan, headed it into the net.

The referee signalled a goal. At once there was an outcry. Huddersfield players surrounded the referee, protesting, gesticulating. They quoted Rule 17 of the Laws of the Game, under which a player taking a corner kick must not take a second kick at the ball until another player has touched it.

Referee Barnes, of Birmingham—he was promoted only this season from the Linemen's list to the supplementary referees' list—consulted linesman Cook, then confirmed his decision.

Result: a 1-0 win for "Spurs", who get two points towards retaining the championship, for which they have an outside chance; and a blow for Huddersfield, who, at the other end of the table, are facing relegation to the Second Division and needed this point they would have got from a draw.

HARD AND LOU.

After the match—played on the "Spurs" ground at White Hart Lane—Baily said: "I intended to take the corner with my right foot, but the referee made me move the ball inside the quarter circle at the corner flag."

"So I hit the ball with my left foot, hard and low and it struck the referee in the back where he was standing on the edge of the penalty area."

He was asked: "You did take the kick twice?" He replied, "Of course I did."

Said Duquemin: "Bill Nicholson (another "Spurs" player) said to me as we ran back to the centre of the field 'I don't think that can possibly be a goal.'"

"I said 'Don't shout about it. Get into position for the kick-off.' I feel sorry we had to win that way."

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—(London Express Service)

BAILY... "with my left"

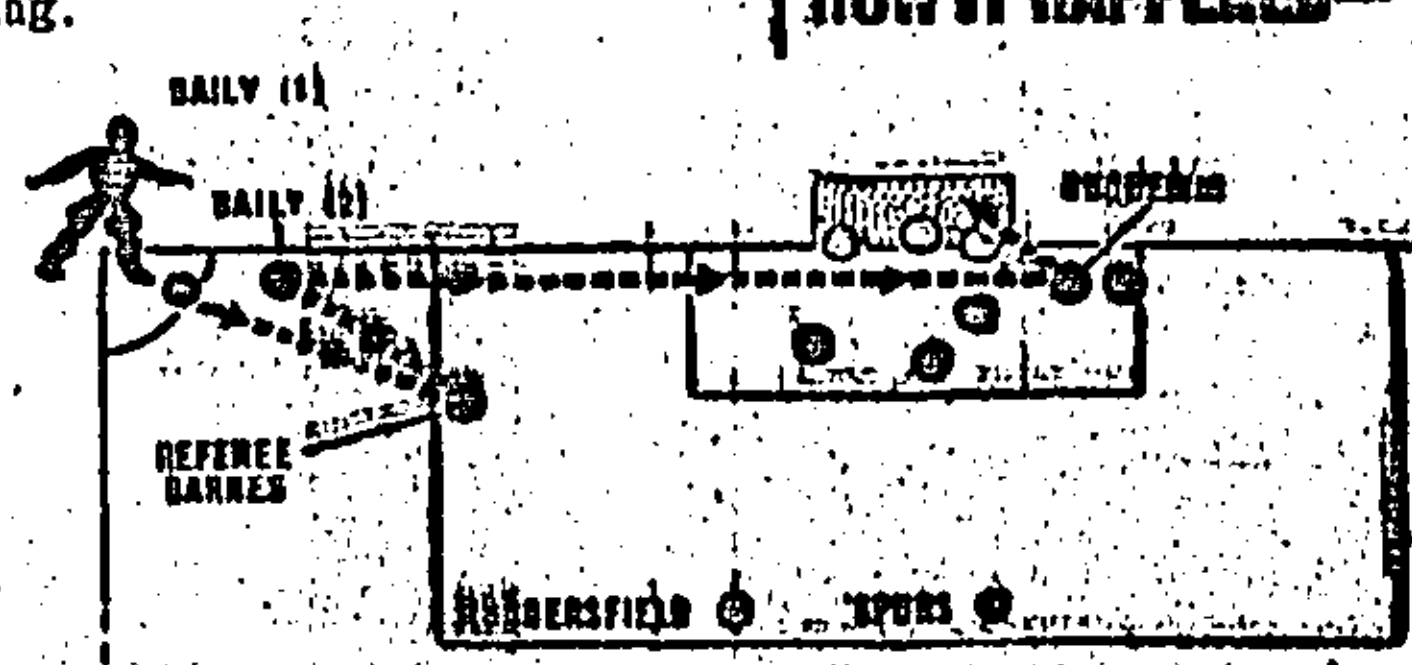
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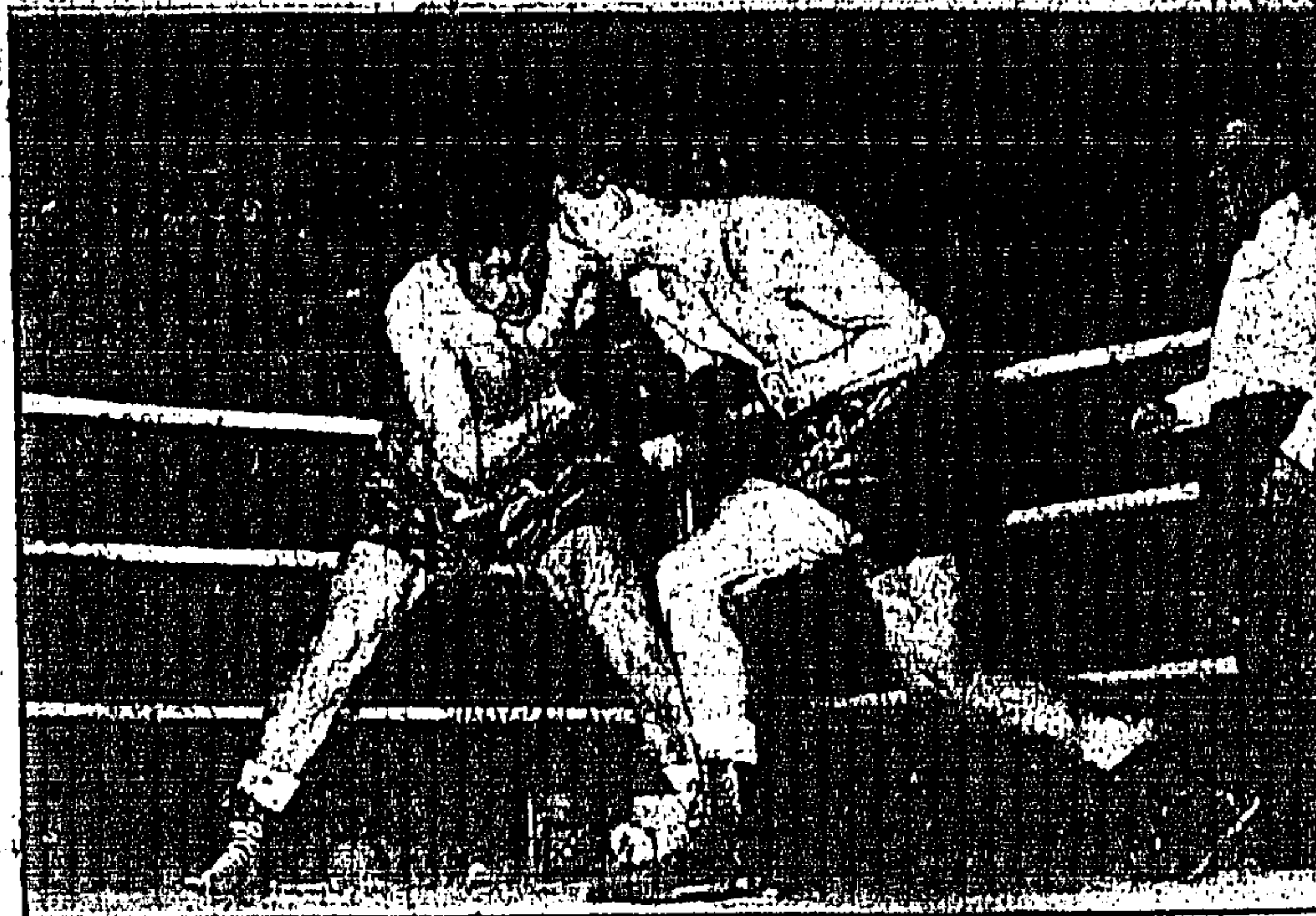
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HOW IT HAPPENED—



SECTION OF THE F.A. LAWS—RULE 17.

In play, a player is liable for the offence of taking a second kick at the ball until it has been touched or played by another player.



Johnny Williams ducks and Jack Gardner's left passes harmlessly over his shoulder. Such tactics won Williams a comfortable points victory over his heavier opponent, and won him the Heavyweight Championship of Britain and the Empire. — Express Photo.

Interport Cricket To Be Revived?

The Malayan Cricket Association has, it is understood, been approached by Hongkong regarding a revival of the pre-war Inter-port series.

The suggestion is being considered by the MCA, whose main problem is that of raising funds to send a team of 13 players and one official to Hongkong.

Holiday Golf At Fanling

S.S. Gordon 80-9-71 and Dr N.J. Whelpton also 80-9-71 tied for the April Qualifying Round of the Captain's Cup on the Old Course last week-end. They will re-play to decide the actual Qualifier for the month.

Members are reminded that over the Easter week-end there will be the usual Borgey and Medal Round on both Courses.

In the G.M. Young Cup, the final will be contested between The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and Messrs Butterfield & Swire; a very close match is expected.

SHANGHAI VISITORS' CUP.

The following are the starting times and draw for the Shanghai Visitors' Cup to be played at Easter Sunday at Fanling—Old Course.

0.10 R.A. Wickerson v W. Doyle (1.15); 0.20 J.J. Cowperthwaite v H.B. Neve (1.20); 0.24 W.N. Gray v E.J. Marshall (1.25); 0.28 W.P. Birrell v W.P. Birrell (1.30); 0.32 H.R. Malcolm v E.H. Sainsbury (1.35); 0.36 L. Goldman v N.P. Coward (1.40); 0.40 N.E. Arthy v J.J. Dickson (1.45); 0.44 F.N. Kent v R.R. Combs (1.50); 0.48 A.B. Coleman v E.G. Green (1.55); 0.52 S. Scramata v J.G. Byington (2.00); 0.56 J. Linaker v S.T. Chau (2.05); 1.00 B. Allen v S.M. Gray (2.10); 1.04 N.E. Arthy v J.J. Dickson (2.15); 1.08 J. Dickson v W.D. Leighton (2.20); 1.12 A.D. Duffy (2.25); 1.16 R.K. Colclough v F.D. Hunter (2.30); 1.20 F.A. Klerman v J.J. Watson (2.35); 1.24 W.L. Pierson (2.40); 1.28 J.D. Clague v H.W.E. Heath (2.45); 1.32 K.S. Robertson v K.S. Kinghorn (2.50); 1.36 A.D. Duffy (2.55); 1.40 B. Brown v D.S. Robb (3.00); 1.44 R.E. Rodger v H.R.O. Hobbie (3.05).

Afternoon times are shown in brackets.

LADIES' GOLF

An Ecclectic Competition will be played over the Easter Holidays from Friday through Monday over the New Course at Fanling. Players are limited to four cards over this time.

Winners of March Competitions are as follows:—

Captain's Cup: Qualifying Round.—Mrs J. D. Clague Nett 69.

L.G.U. Medal Score Silver Division.—Mrs J. Strickland Nett 81.

L.G.U. Medal Score Bronze Division.—Mrs A. Black Nett 71.

L.G.U. Extra Day Silver Division.—Mrs W. N. A. Smalley Nett 80.

L.G.U. Extra Day Bronze Division.—Mrs H. J. Armstrong Nett 65.

The Deep Water Bay Summer Season opens on May 1. There will be a competition held on the second Thursday of each month and in addition to this a running competition will be played monthly. The dates and events are as follows:—

May 1 to 31, Borgey; May 13, Tombstone; June 1 to 30, Electric; June 8 to Club Medal; July 1 to 31, Medal; July 8, Shanghai Fourrounds; Aug 1 to 30, Borgey; Aug 31, Stableford; Sept. 2, Medal (counting putt); Sept. 23, Autumn Meeting.

Entry lists have been posted at Deep Water Bay and Fanling for the Glover Cup, this closes on Tuesday, April 29, 1952. Play commences in May.

Mrs R. C. Gardner has been appointed Deep Water Bay Manager and Mrs J. C. Brown, assistant manager for the Summer Season.

As several innovations have been made for the Summer Season, players are asked to read full details of these which have been posted at the Ladies' Clubhouse at Fanling and at Deep Water Bay.

Geoff Dyson To Coach Britain's Olympic Team At Helsinki

By CHARLES STEPHEN

Geoffrey Dyson, AAA National coach, is to act in a similar capacity to the British Olympic team at Helsinki. This was confirmed at a recent meeting of the British Board.

The team manager will be Jack Crump, and to help him two assistant managers, D. McSwain and J. Gilbert of the Scottish AAA, have been appointed. A. W. Mays is to act as Masseuse.

Dyson's appointment, the first such one for many years, is welcome. He is undoubtedly the best man for the job. Under his guidance Royal Marine John Savidge rose to the top as a weight putter; Maureen Gardner, who is now Dyson's wife, became one of the greatest women hurdlers in the world; and John Disley now ranks with the best as a steeplechaser.

It is Geoffrey who has been responsible for the marked improvement in field events in British athletics, a branch which had been hitherto neglected.

MORE AN ADVISER

As many leading athletes have their own coaches, who favour varying methods, Dyson's job at Helsinki will be more as an adviser. He will also look after the general fitness of the team.

The British team will be announced on June 24. Already athletes have received notices to the effect that they are under consideration. By the time the final selection is made, the season's major events, the AAA Men's and Women's Championships, and the Championships of Scotland and Northern Ireland will have been decided.

Performances in these meetings will play an important part in deciding who is to go to Helsinki. But they will not be the only factor. The season's form will also be taken into consideration. Thus one bad performance will not debar an athlete.

India Selects Thomas Cup Team Of Eight

Lucknow, Apr. 8.

India's Selection Committee for the Thomas Cup of badminton—today announced the names of eight players from whom a team of seven, captained by Davender Mohan, will be selected in May.

India, the winners of the Pacific Zone, met Denmark, who won the European Zone, for the right of meeting the United States, the American Zone winners, in the inter-zone final from which the winners challenge Malaya for the trophy.

VENUE NOT DEFINITE

The first inter-zone match will probably take place during the third week of May but the actual date and venue are not definite.

According to indications here, India may be selected as the venue because Denmark has expressed a willingness to play round somewhere near Singapore, where the challenge round will be staged on May 31 and June 1.

The eight Indian players chosen today are Davender Mohan, Amrit Dewan, Henry Ferreira, Kunal Guha, Gajanan Hemnady, C. L. Madaan, Eswar Nath and T. N. Saha.—Reuters.

Four Hongkong Swimmers For Olympic Games

Four local swimmers to represent the Colony at the coming Olympics were confirmed at the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hongkong Amateur Swimming Association held at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday evening.

They are Cheung Kin-man, F. K. Monteiro, Miss Cynthia Eager and Miss Irene Kwok Kam-ngor. Cheung and Monteiro will compete in the 100, 400, and 1,600 metres free style, Cynthia Eager in the Women's 100 and 400 metres free style, and Irene Kwok in the Women's 200 metres breast stroke.

Mr H. W. Wingle, Secretary of the Association, was elected as the team leader.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

It was decided to hold the Colony's Junior Championships at the Victoria Recreation Club on August 25, 26, 29, and September 1.

The championships are open to members of affiliated clubs, all service personnel, students of all schools and unattached members who have resided in the Colony for over six months. Colony champions in any individual event and the five finalists in the Colony Championships of 1951 are barred.

At the meeting, Maj. C. W. H. Long informed the meeting that he had to relinquish his post as a member of the Executive Committee and the appointment of Maj. A. Sewell to fill the vacancy was approved.

A recommendation by the Diving Committee that the numbers of dives in the championships should be increased from four to six optional dives was received and approved by the Committee.

It was also decided to run Junior and Senior water polo leagues in place of only one league formerly held. Entries will close on April 23 and the league will commence on May 13.

It was announced that all 1951 Harbour Race certificates which were not yet received by the successful swimmers would be collected from the Y.M.C. before the end of this month.

THE RUSSIANS HAVE THEIR LERWILLS, BANNISTERS AND CHATAWAYS, TOO

Says HYLTON CLEAVER

No doubt the real kings and queens of sport are the gay amateurs, middle-distance runners such as Roger Bannister and Chris Chataway, wonder scullers like Tony Fox, skaters of the quality of Jeannette Altwegg, sprinters to the pattern of June Foulds, and high jumpers like Sheila Lerwill, who as Sheila Alexander won a European championship in Brussels, because they all compete for the fun of it.

Yet before we condemn their Russian contemporaries as subsidised servants of the state, it will broaden our minds to look behind the Iron Curtain.

First meet VLADIMIR KAZANTSEV, who lowered the world record for the 3,000 metres steeplechase last year by 9.8 sec. Originally Kazantsev was a track runner who surprised everyone by covering five kilometres across country in 18 minutes. Two leading Russian runners, Karakulov and Tsyba, forecast a great future for him and helped him.

Within a year he had become national cross-country champion. Then began a series of reverses which brought him such a feeling of frustration that he talked of giving up running altogether. He was dissuaded by Nikolai Denisov, the Russian coach, to such effect that he came back and ran remarkably against the Czech-Slovakian record-holder, Emil Zatopek, finishing only one second behind him and putting up a new Russian record for 5,000 metres.

LEG INJURY
Next, Denisov suggested that he should try the steeplechase. Followed the national routine of long concentrated study. Eight months ago Kazantsev was ready. Then he injured a leg. To one of his temperaments this was the end; he came from the doctor's consultation declaring all was lost.

His greatest friend, Alexei Tyulenev, who had trained him from the early days, consoled him. "Accumulation of experience," he sagely said, "is never wasted." Eventually Kazantsev resumed training and made up lost time. He had test runs once a week, over a third, half, or full distance.

Kazantsev, at his first attempt, broke the record for the 3,000-metre steeplechase, knocking 4 of a second off Puga-chevsky's time. Afterwards he declared: "I could have run faster. I must try again."

A week later, in perfect conditions, he covered the first 1,000 metres in 2 min. 53 sec and continued at such pace that at the end he was hoping to beat the record. He had put up a record this time of 8 min. 49.8 sec.

Here is one runner we shall see in the Olympics.

120 RECORDS
Take LEONID MESHKOV, a swimmer who at the age of 35 has broken Soviet swimming records 120 times, and who holds the world record for the 100 metre butterfly stroke.

It is said that if the total distance Meshkov has covered in swimming baths were added together, it would far exceed the breadth of the Pacific at the Equator.

Meshkov, an ardent patriot, was wounded in the fighting around besieged Leningrad, and he regards participation in world sport as his contribution to the strengthening of friendship among all the peoples. To that end he has swum in Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Czechoslovakia, and Germany.

Meshkov was a breast stroke swimmer who became dissatis-



MESHKOV... power through the water.



FEODOSI YANIN

a long distance:

When lecturing recently to athletes in the Soviet Army he described how on May 2, 1938, he took part in a town cross-country run as a novice, and picked out a tall, broad-shouldered man to follow.

He was determined not to be left behind and succeeded so well that he wondered "What the attempt, went by easily, and was so encouraged that he ran faster and faster till he had passed everyone who had been ahead."

NO NATURAL GIFTS

He had no natural gifts whatever, but after this victory he determined to persevere till he reached his present position as a champion by persistence in training and the systematic acquisition of skill.

What made him go in for long-distance running? He says that at school he read of a Greek warrior who ran over 26 miles to carry the news of a victory to Athens, and he didn't believe it was possible. So he tried it. In 1950 he ran that distance at an average speed of 10 miles an hour, six minutes better than the winning Olympic time of 1948.

As a result he appeared in Brussels to run in the European Marathon in August 1950. JACK HOLDEN beat him! And about that day Holden relates his story.

Holden told himself: "Hello, this is going to be Stalin or King George, is it? Then I am running for King George!"—and became the winner.

Holden has hung up his shoes. Vanin has not. But there is no

GOAL-SCORING RECORD TIED

By scoring two goals against Crystal Palace last Saturday, Jack Lewis, Reading's left-half, equalled the record number of goals ever scored in one season by a player other than a forward in the history of the Football League.

Lewis, former West Bromwich Albion, Crystal Palace, and Bournemouth player, brought his tally to 14, equalling Arthur Grimston's record of 14 in the 1910-20 season, when he played left half for Tottenham Hotspur in Division Two.—Reuter.

Russians Will Judge Our Games Boxers At Helsinki

By GEORGE WHITING

British boxers at the Helsinki Olympics this summer are likely to have their efforts refereed and judged by at least two Russians—and other "Iron Curtain" officials.

Behind this not unwelcome evidence of the Soviet's new "play along" policy is the bulky figure of Mr A. Zaplatka, of Poland.

It is he who has put forward the names of the Russians—plus Czechs, Hungarians, Rumanians, and Poles—at a committee meeting of the Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur in London.

Some months ago, the Russians indicated that they had Messrs. A. V. Timoshin, V. G. Stepanov, E. I. Ogurenko and V. P. Mikhailoff available as accomplished and experienced international referees. The first two are now being put forward for nomination at Helsinki.

SEVEN TIMES CHAMPION

Mikhailoff, 45-year-old star of the party, has been refereeing since 1934, when he gave up competitive boxing after winning the Soviet cruiser-weight championship seven years in succession.

Will the Russian idea of boxing rules conform to the pattern laid down by international usage? Yes—or else!

Messrs. Stepanov and Mikhailoff, in common with all other new and untried referees and judges in Helsinki, will be asked to undergo practical tests in specially staged contests before being let loose on unsuspecting Olympic aspirants.

Never again, says the AIBA, will they be held up to the ridicule and opprobrium of 1948, when early Olympic bouts were refereed and judged on the principles of a little trial and a lot of error. Only a rigorous system of on-the-spot sackings got them out of trouble.

Incidentally, Britain's only Olympic referee in Helsinki will be Stanley Royle, manager of a boys' club at Hillsborough, Sheffield.

A CLUE

What of Russia's boxers? So far, the Soviet's international efforts have been rigidly restricted to "Iron Curtain" countries, with the exception of odd matches against Sweden and Finland.

Information, here, therefore, is neither plentiful nor reliable. However, I came across a clue or two recently in Copenhagen, where I had a long talk on the subject with the Finnish professional light-weight, Elis Ask—one of the few non-Soviet boxers with personal acquaintance of Russian rings these last few months.

Ask tells me that, for "technique" the Russians are non-starters—but that every man they put in the ring will be fit to fight for a fortnight.

Unencumbered by amateur definitions and the niceties of "broken time," their spartan training methods are a guarantee of absolute physical perfection and toughness.

Neither Elis Ask nor anybody else outside Russia, could talk about individuals. Nevertheless, it is worth noting that a crack Soviet side performed with much distinction in an "Iron Curtain" international championships meeting in East Germany recently.

If the winners there are picked for Helsinki—look out for flyweight Bulakov, bantam-weight Stepanov, featherweight Sokolov, and heavy-weight Perov.—(London Express Service)

★ ★ ★ A SEAT IN THE STALLS ★ ★ ★

★ SHOW TALK reports a stiller-than-usual fuss in show-world politics... the story of Hollywood's—

Blackout on Redgrave

London.
HOW complicated, and how absurd, can show-world politics become? Consider this latest example.

Michael Redgrave, Google Withers and New York actor-producer Sam Wanamaker opened in a new play, *Winter Journey*, last Thursday. It was the West End's big first night of the week.

The three stars were to have televised a half-hour extract from the play. Cecil McGivern, TV programme controller, had planned to make it the first preview-by-air of a West End premiere.

But the programme was banned—by Paramount, nearly 6,000 miles away in Hollywood. Why? Because they have bought the film rights of the original Broadway play.

Paramount have cabled Henry Sperek, who is presenting the play in London, saying that "the film studio refuses to deviate."

So the tangled web of stage-screen-radio rivalries enables Hollywood to deprive British viewers of an important star event. Yet previews of new Hollywood pictures get regular time and space on our TV programmes.

THE WHIP HAND

★ It is a short-sighted ban by the American picture-makers.

Forbidding Redgrave and Miss Withers the air will not help Paramount. On the other hand, the more public interest is won for the play, the more likely is the film version to be successful over here.

British stage and film producers are coming to realise that the entire entertainment world, like peace, is indivisible. Until their transatlantic colleagues think the same, however, co-operation is going to be difficult.

Grand National Broadcast Did Not Please All

London, Apr. 8.

BBC chiefs are discussing the "Topham's Trial" Grand National broadcast.

More than 200 people rang the BBC at the week-end. Only one praised the "private" commentary recorded at Aintree.

Mr S. J. Lobbiniere, BBC's outside broadcasts chief, who was listening at his Hampstead home, said: "Considering the difficulties I didn't think it was too bad."

It is felt that the BBC has won the Aintree battle with Mrs Mirable Topham, lessee of the course.

FOUR SECONDS

Mrs Topham, to protect her copyright, had demanded that the race commentary should be recorded and then broadcast to listeners four seconds later, and the BBC gave in rather than deprive listeners of any broadcast. Now there is reaction against the technical and artistic quality of the broadcast.

Listeners were kept waiting longer than the planned four seconds, the commentary lacked atmosphere, and there were "technical hitches."

For BBC commentators Ray and Glendonning took notes of the race. These were built into a story and broadcast in the evening.—Reuter.

Peter Keenan And His Manager Settle Dispute

London, Apr. 8.

Peter Keenan of Glasgow, British and European Bantam-weight Champion, and his manager, Tommy Gilmour, announced jointly today that they have settled their differences and will work together again.

Keenan stated that he was prepared to work with Gilmour under certain conditions, including one that he should be consulted when contests were being negotiated.

Gilmour, it was stated, accepted Keenan's point of view, but retained sole right to discuss financial terms.

Keenan is defending his European title against Jean Sneyers of Belgium in Glasgow on May 21.—Reuter.



THE PLAY THAT STARTED THE ARGUMENT: Michael Redgrave as the gone-to-seed actor, Google Withers as his wife, in *Winter Journey*.

by Harold CONWAY

Many West End plays come from New York; most of them are listed for filming. If a TV scared Hollywood is able to hold the whip-hand from a distance, Mr McGivern will find his theatrical pickings lean and his theatrical theatres will lose a valuable good-will medium.

RUNTER MOVES UP

★ Gerald Campion, TV's much-debated Billy Bunter, steps up to the classics. He will make his screen debut as the Fat Boy in George Minster's production of *The Pickwick Papers*.

Casting the film has given Minster a year of headaches. But this part practically cast itself—TV had obligingly, unwittingly, done the research. I should say that Master Bunter is going to prove a good friend to 20-year-old Mr Campion during the next year or so.

Pickwick goes into production on May 5, with James Hayter in the title-role. He, like Campion (11st. 12lb. out of TV camera-range), will have to do some generous padding. For Dickens shares one trial with the creator of Greyfriars School—his characters are apt to be somewhat larger than life.

HIS ENCHANTED EVENING?

★ American actor Hartley Power—who has made his home in this country—stepped across the road from the little Duchess Theatre to the vast Drury Lane a few months ago.

It was a disconcerting step: from top stardom and acting honours at the Duchess—in *The Biggest Thief in Town*—to small-type billing and scant notice in South Pacific.

The change in stature was because of an earlier contract he had made with the Pacific management. But on Saturday Mr Power removed his naval captain's make-up for the last time, hands over his part to John McLaren—and caught the Sunday morning train to Blackpool.

Monday night a week ago he opened there in the pre-London production of *Come Back Little Sheba*, with Joan Miller and Sheila Sim. Back to straight drama, a small company—and the name of Power going up in star type once more. The salary goes up, too.

Appearing in a high-powered Drury Lane musical was an exciting experience, this actor thinks; but departing has its

Wally Thom And Danny Womber

London, Apr. 8.

Wally Thom, British Welterweight Champion, drew a ten-round welterweight fight with Danny (Bang Bang) Womber, of the United States, who is now a resident in France, at Earl's Court tonight.

Thom maintained his vastly improved form against a dangerous slugging opponent and never wavered. He weathered some tough early rounds against a man hailing from Ray Robinson's stable, who tried his utmost for a knockout.

He fought back from seemingly hopeless positions to rock Womber with solid left hooks to the head.

Womber tried everything, even changing to a southpaw stance, to catch Thom. Guilty of hitting with an open glove, the American was several times warned.

Thom's eyes were damaged in the later stages, but he was always willing to trade punches with a stronger opponent and never gave way. He has improved considerably since winning the British title, and on this form will be difficult to beat in the welterweight division.—Reuter.



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(Club); Talkoo v Police (Navy) at
H.V. Club.

3rd Division—Gymnastic v Talkoo
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GUN KILLS THE GUN EXPERT

London, Apr. 8.
Few men knew more about guns than Mr. Ralph T. Lawrence, of Biggin Hill, Kent.

He was the son, grandson, and great-grandson of gunsmiths. He had handled, and fired, thousands of guns. He was an expert on ballistics.

But he was killed by a gun. It happened in the armoured 300-year-old Proof House of the Worshipful Company of Gunmakers in Commercial Road, Stepney, E., where they test 30,000 firearm barrels a year.

Mr. Lawrence, who was 41, was Assistant Proof Master to the company, which is one of the two chartered institutions in the country licensed to test guns to ensure their safety and efficiency.

He was examining barrels of small-bore shotguns—a type used for shooting rabbits and vermin—which were mounted on special frames within the Proof House.

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It fired, as Mr. Lawrence, a married man with one son, bent to check it. He was shot in the throat, was found lying near the bench by an assistant.

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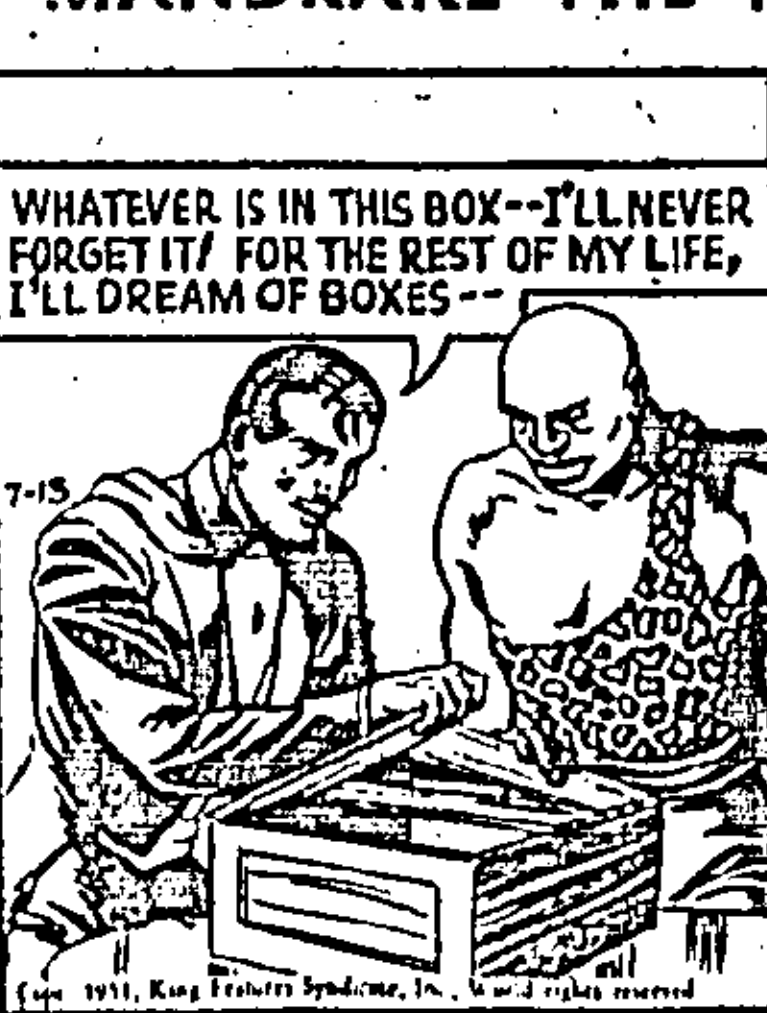
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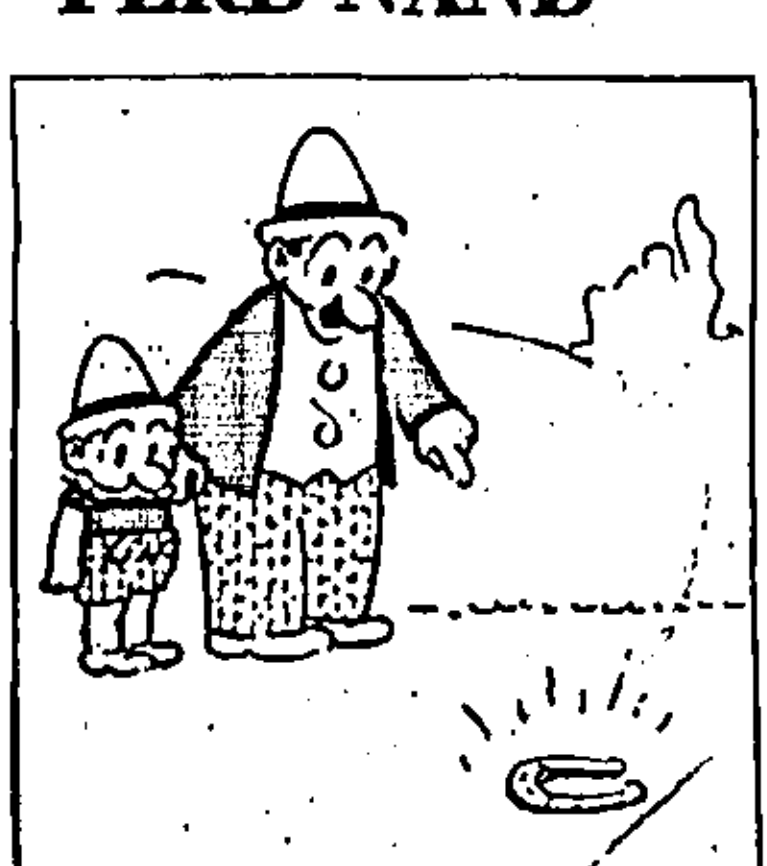
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Harriman On U.S. Objectives

Washington, Apr. 8.
Mr. W. Averell Harriman, Director of the Mutual Security Programme, in a public speech today appealed for a wider understanding of American objectives.

The Point Four programme of technical assistance to underdeveloped countries could serve to make known that the American Revolution had respect for human dignity and had introduced the concept of an expanding economy.

But the Communist revolution was the most reactionary in the world. It went back to dictatorships and to a materialistic philosophy, he said.

The American Revolution brought with it the ideal of opportunity for all and the belief that all people must share in increased productivity of economy.

The Point Four programme was an aggressive programme for peace, not war—for human progress, not for conquest.

Although leadership had been thrust on the United States without conquest or design, she now had to play the role of leader for her own good as well as for the good of mankind.

The Point Four programme was one manifestation of this leadership.

Mr. Harriman added: "We should not be ashamed to tell people we are dependent on their raw materials. At the same time we should tell them frankly and clearly that we do not believe in past exploitation, when riches were taken out of their soil and nothing left. We want to help them develop their industries as well as their agriculture and to raise the standards of living."—Reuters.

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Submissions On Law In Claim Against US Shipping Co.

Submissions on law were made by Mr D. A. L. Wright on behalf of the plaintiffs when hearing of an action for alleged non-delivery of goods from the United States, which had been landed in Hongkong, continued before the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howe, in the Supreme Court this morning.

The claim, for \$224,410, was brought by the China Mutual Trading Co., Ltd., of Nos. 13-27 Lee House Street, against the American President Lines, Ltd., a company incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, U.S.A., and with offices in Hongkong in St. George's Building.

Plaintiffs claimed the delivery of various textile goods, machinery, technical textbooks, drugs, and photographic materials under three bills of lading per the American Steamers Mount Davis, President Buchanan, and President Buchanan, which were loaded into Kowloon Godowns on December 10, 1950; for their value and damages for detaining the same.

Mr Percy Chen and Mr D. A. L. Wright, both instructed by Mr A. S. K. Lau, appeared for the plaintiffs. The Hon. Mr. Justice, QC, and Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, both instructed by Mr P. J. Griffiths, were for the defendants.

The Defence based their case on American law and on regulations issued by the United States Department of Commerce by which the goods were covered and under which the defendants claimed they were protected.

RESTRAINT OF PRINCIPLES
This morning, Mr Wright dealt with the law on restraint of principles on which he based the defendants' case. It was plaintiffs' case that there was no rule for the restraint of principles to operate once goods had been discharged from a ship into the custody of a godown, and the Furness, Withy case, on which the Defence relied, was no authority for such a proposition.

Under the American Carriage of Goods By Sea Act, the operation of the restraint of principles was confined to the period between the time of loading and the time of discharge. What were the essential elements in the case before the Court? asked Counsel. It was admitted a fact that the cargo had been discharged from the ship into a Godown Company in the Colony which was within the jurisdiction of the Hongkong authorities. The actual transportation was at an end; there was no question of any interruption of the voyage. Indisputably, ownership of the goods was in a Hongkong citizen resident in the Colony. Furthermore, the APL had no proprietary interest whatever in the case and claimed none. All they claimed to have, Counsel submitted, was some obscure right to keep the goods out of the possession of the lawful owners. Custody of the goods was also not in the APL. They had neither the ownership nor the custody of the goods. In the eyes of the law they had lost possession and custody to the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. The position in law was perfectly clear. The Godown Company were bailees. In the eyes of the law a bailee not of his custody but legal possession.

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"Yes, I bought two Easter bonnets—you never know when they might start rationing hats!"

Agreement On Trieste In Sight

London, Apr. 8. The three-power conference on the administration of Western Trieste (Zone A) today worked on problems connected with the possible transfer to Italy of the economic and financial departments of the local government. It is understood here.

Officials now believe that an agreement in principle on the extent to which Britain and the United States will be able to give Italy a share in the administration of Zone A may be reached before Easter.

They thought that further work on details might be left over until next week.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss the administration of Zone A of the Trieste Free Territory, which has been under Anglo-American military Government since the end of the war.

It is not concerned with the future status of the Free Territory as a whole.

A Foreign Office spokesman here emphasised that today's study of non-political departments of the local government did not mean that Britain and the United States had yet agreed to transfer supreme control to Italian officials.

It is, however, believed that a favourable expression of view about the possibility of making such a transfer had now been given by the British and American delegations.

Italian quarters here considered that the discussions were still in the balance.—Reuter.

TRAIN DERAILED

Milan, Apr. 8. The last Simplon Orient Express train was derailed tonight at Lucerne near Milan, injuring five persons seriously. Three coaches jumped the rails and demolished a signalman's cabin. All the five injured were in the cabin.

A few passengers suffered minor bruises.—United Press.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION
The two sides of the carpet wrongly supplied totalled 99 feet. The Minister had demanded a carpet of the same area, but with each side the same length. So we have to find two numbers, each the square of an integer, which total 99. These are clearly 25 and 74. The carpet sent was 25 feet by 64 feet. The Minister had ordered a carpet of 100 feet with a perimeter of 100 feet.

London Express Service.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS
1. Theodore Dreiser's "An American Tragedy." 2. An unending task. Penelope, wife of Odysseus, in faithfulness to her husband during his wanderings, promised to marry again when she had completed her spinning, but each night she destroyed what she spun during the day. 3. Oslo. 4. Running. 5. Nine hundred and sixty-nine years. 6. Baden-Baden, Germany.

K'loon Riots Sequel: Appeal Against Sentences Dismissed

Holding that the sentence of three months was, in his opinion, not excessive, Mr Justice Gould in the Appeal Court this morning dismissed appeals by four Chinese young men, all Tsun Wan textile workers, who were convicted at Kowloon Magistracy for behaving in a disorderly manner with intent to provoke a breach of the peace at Nathan Road on March 1.

His Lordship said the only concession he was prepared to give was that their sentences date from the day of conviction and not from today. Special Police precautions were taken around and within the building. Seated in the public benches on both sides of the dock were a number of students and textile workers.

The appellants were Chin Chiu-yan, 24, Chow Chung-chun, 20, Tung Su-yip, 20, and Man Kwong-sai, 23, all weavers employed by the Po Sing Textile factory in Tsun Wan.

They were represented by Mr Percy Chen while Mr W. A. Blacklock, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Crown, assisted by Det-Insp E. P. Grace.

Addressing the Court, Mr Chen said that this appeared to be a simple case. From the facts it was to be noted that the four men were alleged by the Police to have behaved in a disorderly manner, and it would be further noted that there was no evidence at all that, although the Mongkok Police Station had been to a certain extent damaged by the throwing of stones, that none of these defendants was seen to throw any stones.

Another point from the evidence was that the defendants were not seen by the Police to be in the vanguard of the group of persons who must have thrown the stones, but they were seen to have been in the rear.

Those two facts, Counsel said, would seem to point that though the defendants might have been in a large crowd who must have been quite a distance away from the police station.

"Usually, a leader in any organisation or congregation is a person who stands in the forefront or vanguard of proceedings," said Mr Chen. "But there are some leaders, like the Duke of Plazotroz, who led his troops from behind."

LESS EXCITING
His Lordship: He must have found it less exciting. Mr Chen: Exactly, my Lord, but I suggest his leadership in that case was ineffective.

Counsel added that these facts which were not apparent to the Police when they gave their evidence should be apparent to the Court now, and the conclusion that although the defendants were acting in a disorderly manner, they were found guilty of so acting—that they were not leaders of any sort of attack upon the police station.

Furthermore, it was common knowledge that theories were widely read and literature pointed to the fact that, in the particular philosophy of the persons who believed in the upsurge of new elements or classes in society, believed that in order to lead a mass of people one had to be in the forefront, said Mr Chen.

Mr Chen contended that the defendants were not leaders or agitators. At the time of their evidence they might have been excited. Defendants were all textile workers employed in Tsun Wan and all of them he understood, were first offenders.

Putting the situation on that day before the Court in order to show that there was no premeditated, deeply sinister conspiracy or agreement to do anything whatsoever against the law and order in this Colony, Mr Chen said the defendants were not at work that day, being a Saturday. The Court might ask why were they not in Tsun Wan enjoying their day off and the reason was because of their philanthropic mission.

The defendants had said they were in Hongkong for their own business and having completed it they were waiting for a bus at the Jordan Road ferry wharf.

SPONTANEOUS
Mr Chen went on to explain that the presence of the defendants in the crowd was spontaneous and that they came to Hongkong with no ulterior motive. The defendants had said they were in Hongkong for their own business and having completed it they were waiting for a bus at the Jordan Road ferry wharf.

It was common knowledge that a crowd of persons had gathered at the Kowloon Railway station to meet and greet in a spirit of festivity the expected delegation of these donors of funds.

Mr Chen added, "But on account of a request from the reception committee....."

Mr Blair-Kerr: I think Mr Chen is going outside his province.

His Lordship: I cannot allow you to go further on that point, Mr Chen.

Mr Chen said that he merely wanted to show how these men came to be part of a crowd and added that for certain reasons the delegation did not arrive and the crowd at the railway station then dispersed and proceeded up Nathan Road and Chatham Road.

Living Language

Why we say Man of straw.

A "man of straw" is one without means or reputation but the phrase has no reference to the fact that straw is easily blown away. In the middle ages certain worthless individuals, identified by a wisp of straw in their boots, used to loaf round the Law Courts and in return for a bribe would give whatever evidence was required of them. They were the first "men of straw."

Owner Of Gold Rings Defrauded

For fraudulently converting two gold rings set with jade to his own use, 25-year-old Fung Kin-wah, alias Sung Nun was sentenced to four months by Mr Oswald Cheung at Kowloon this morning.

Inspector Cheng said that the owner of the rings wanted to sell them and defendant suggested going on board a ship to get a higher price. The owner entrusted the rings to the accused but when they went on board the ship, the accused disappeared from the other side of the ship.

Three days later the complainant met accused at Wanchai and had him arrested. The rings which were recovered from a goldsmith shop were sold for \$350 by the accused who had spent all the money.

The Prosecution revealed that defendant was convicted of larceny by trick last year. The Magistrate said he would reserve his decision on the rings till 2.30 p.m. tomorrow.

Today In The Marine Court

A fine of \$70 was imposed on Pang Wing, 52, master of cargo junk 1107V, by Mr T. E. Low at the Marine Court this morning for carrying four excess passengers.

On a similar charge, Chan Kuen-fook, 30, fisherman, was fined \$65. Chan was carrying three persons too many when he was intercepted by a naval patrol off North Lamma Island yesterday. He was additionally fined \$50 for providing his 81-cubic junk with an outboard motor.

For failing to stop when signalled by the Police, Fan Ying-cheong, coxswain of the motor launch Yau Lee, was fined \$50. Fan was arrested after a 20-minute chase near Lyemun Pass on March 31.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.55, Children's Hour; 7.55, "The Franklyn Tale" (B.B.C.); 8.15, "Frightfulness at the Theatre Royal" (B.B.C.); 8.30, Forces Bandstand Concert; 9.15, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 9.30, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 9.45, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 10.00, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 10.15, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 10.30, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 10.45, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 11.00, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 11.15, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. Drummond; 11.30, "The Royal Ulster Rifles" by Kind Permission of Lt. Colonel J. 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